### STEALING CHICKENS.

**Deardorff on Trial in the Circuit Court.**

uit court today Judge Vail, arguments on a few motions placed the case of the Peo- rf and Francis, chaged with kens, on trial by jury. The ttorneys are J. M. Gray and n. States Attorney Mills ap- e prosecution. There are t charges against the ac-

of Stoddard vs the Decatur any, the court sustained the oddard wants the court to r compelling the company to ck to the amount of $2500.

**isoners Arraigned.**

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cis and Charles Deardorff, d petit larceny; plead not t indictments.

nd Thomas Crane, burglary rceny; Thomas Crane pleads Charles Crane pleads guilty; ned $1 and costs and sentenced n jail, and sent to state reform urglary.

tin, robbery; pleads guilty; Chester.

ing, selling mortgaged prop- not guilty. Alexander Mc- inted to defend.

zic and Emma Norman, con- endants each arraigned and uilty.

Dyous, grand larceny; pleads L. E. Roby appointed to de-

Dyous, burglary; pleads not Clapper and Roby appointed

Peterson, uttering forged check; guilty.

dams, grand larceny; pleads

cCanley, burglary and grand eads not guilty; two cases.

ruce and George Jenkins, con- e; pleads not guilty.

Jones, assault with deadly eads not guilty. Ewing ap- defend.

mith, burglary and grand lar- ett to defend.

and Thomas Crane, burglary ; Thomas pleads not guilty; ads guilty; sent to reform at

E. Touhey, embezzlement; guilty.

**Chancery Docket.**

rich, administrator, vs W. H. sumpsit; default; damages at t costs.

Brenneman et al, vs Charles assumpsit; default and dam- ed at $347.92.

**Common Law Docket.**

Stickle et al, vs James Stickle, stricken with leave.

D. Murphy vs John Murhpy, evidence reported to court by

. Hunt et al, vs Fannie S. artition; leave to amend bill Fannie S. and Charles Carins nts instead of defendants.

Perdue vs William H. Perdue, cree pro confesso heard, decree. kers et al, vs Frank Sanford, , decree pro confesso for per- unction.

s Banna vs Louisa Bannan, di- ree pro confesso

Shultz vs Archibald Shultz, di- cree pro confesso.

Baker vs Charles H. Baker, di- ree pro confesso.

Wiseheart vs Dcetor S. Wise- orce; decree pro confessso.

**Storm North of Decatur.**

a storm of last evening was very he vicinity of the Macon county . There was something of a in that neighborhood andmany blown down and twisted. Con- damage was done to fences. nch of water fell. There was a ent on the streets that a water visited Maroa and that many d been drowned, but investiga- d the report to be unfounded. a heavy rain at Maroa, but no

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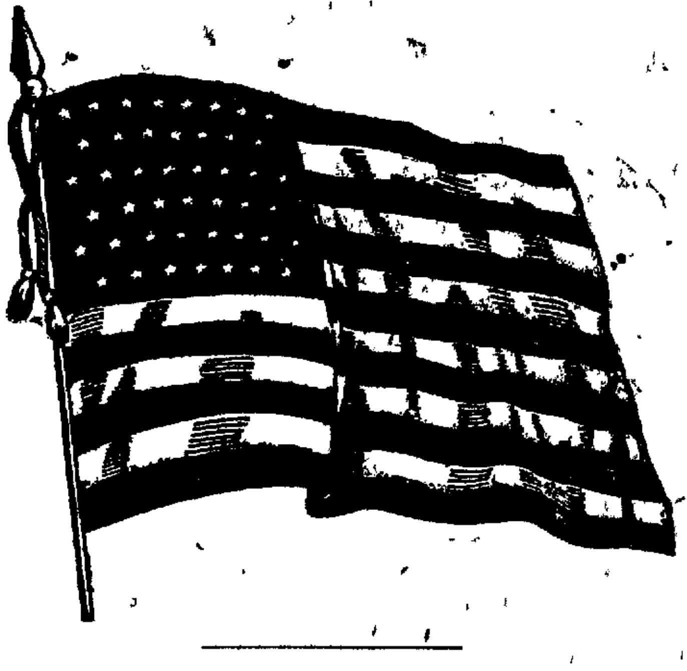
# HURRAH FOR HAWAII.

## The Fruitful Island to be a Part of the United States.



## TREATY FOR ANNEXATION SIGNED TODAY.

### But Queen Lil Does Not Get a Cent--She Must Look Elsewhere for a Pension--Details of the Ceremony.

Washington, June 16.—In the great diplomatic room of the state department where four years and four months ago in the closing hours of the Harrison administration, the first Hawaiian annexation treaty was signed, only to be withdrawn from the senate and pigeonholed, the representatives of the governments of the United States and Hawaii gathered this morning and signed the treaty by the terms of which, if ratified, the little island republic will become part of the territory of the United States.

**Details of the Treaty.**

Washington, June 16.—The three Hawaiian commissioners with Secretary Sherman, Assistant Secretaries Day and Cridler, were in the conference at the state department and made a careful examination of the Hawaiian annexation treaty. This occupied twenty minutes and then the treaty was signed by Sherman for the United States, and Hatch, Thurston and Kinney for Hawaii. The document will be submitted to the senate today. The treaty provides that the govenor of the Hawaiian Islands shal cede to the United States absolutely and forever all rights of sovereignty in and over the Hawaiian Islands and its dependencies and that these islands shall become an integral part of the territory of the United States. The governor of the Hawaiian Islands also cedes to the United States all public lands, public buildings and public property of every description. Congress shall enact special laws to govern the disposition of the lands in the Hawaiian Islands. All the revenues from these lands shall be used solely for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Hawaiian Islands for educational and other public purposes

The Hawaiian Islands shall be admitted into the Union as a territory of the United States, local laws to be passed by the local legislature but subject to the approval of the president. Until congress shall apply the laws of the United States to the islands the present laws of Hawaii are to govern the islands. The present treaties and laws governing the Hawaiian Islands in their commercial relations with foreign countries shall remain in force until congress shall take action. The further immigration of Chinese laborers is prohibited pending congressional action The entry of Chinese from the Hawaiian Islands into the United States is likewise prohibited. The United States assumes the public debt of Hawaii, but with the stipulation that this liability shall not exceed $4,000,000. The treaty before it becomes effective shall be ratified by proper authorities of the United States and Hawaii. No mention is made of any gratuity to ex-Queen Liliuokalani or to the Princess Kaiaulani. The Japanese government has filed a protest against the treaty on the grounds that it promises to lead to a breach of treaty stipulations between Japan and Hawaii.

The Hawaiian representatives had brought a gold pen and at their request it was used for all the signatures. Sherman signed the first copy intended to be held here, while Minister Hatch signed the first Hawaiian copy of the treaty, Commissioners Thurston and Kinney coming next.

The treaties were then sealed with the private seal by Assistant Secretary Cridler. Copies were handed to their respective custodians and the treaty was made as far as the executive branch of the government could make it. A general exchange of congratulations followed.

**The Japanese Protest.**

Washington, June 16.—Minister Hosh of Japan declined to be seen touching the Japan protest against the Hawaiian annexation. The protest was made in person by him at the state department yesterday. It caused some surprise at the Hawaiian legation where it is not known whether the protest is against annexation, or merely to preserve Japan's rights under the existing treaty with Hawaii.

Japan's treaty with Hawaii was made in 1871 and provides that citizens of one country shall have the right to enter, reside and trade in the other. Under international law annexation to the United States would abrogate this treaty. Moreover, the treaty recently made between the United States and Japan, to become effective in 1899, provides that the United States may exclude the Japanese. If Hawaii is annexed, the effect will be to permit the United States to exculde the Japanese from Hawaii. It is presumed, therefore, that the object of the protest is to preserve Japan's rights under the treaty with Hawaii.

**Scheme of the Powers.**

Constantinople, June 16.—The ambassadors of the powers submitted to the Turkish government yesterday a scheme for the delineation of the frontiers of Greece and Turkey as drawn up by the military attaches of the different embassies during their recent visit to Thessaly. It gives Turkey the mountain passes on the frontier of Thessaly, but the Turks will not be allowed to remain in any of the villages of Thessaly.

**Butler Found Guilty.**

Sidney, N. S. W., June 16.—The trial of Frank Butler, charged with the murder of Captain Lee Weller while on a gold prospecting trip, was concluded today, the jury rendering a verdict of guilty. Butler escaped to America in a sailing vessel after the murder and was arrested and extradited after an extended legal fight in San Francisco.

**Storms in Scotland.**

London, June 16.—North England and Scotland have been swept by heavy gales. The suburbs of Glasgow and surroundings are flooded. A terrible storm swept over Liverpool. Nelson's flagship, Foudroyant, touching the coast as a show ship, has been driven ashore and will probably go to pieces.

### WANT WILDER TO REMAIN.

**Trustees of the Wesleyan University Try to Pave the Way to Retain Him.**

Bloomington, June 16.—The board of trustees of the Illinois Wesleyan university yesterday accepted with an expression of regret the resignation of Dr. W. H. Wilder as president, which was presented yesterday. It is to take effect July 1. Nothing has yet been done in regard to the selection of his successor. There is a desire to retain Dr. Wilder as the head of the institution for another year at least, releasing him from the active collegiate duties, but keeping him in the field as representative of the institution. Dr. Wilder may be induced to consider such a proposition.

The deficiency in the finances of the institution for the year was considered by the board, and a subscription was taken among the members of the board, who quickly pledged $8500. This will probably be increased to at least $10,000, which will be used to defray the floating indebtedness and put the university on a firm financial basis to begin the new year.

Dr. C. H. Payne of New York, secretary of the board of education, former president of the Ohio Wesleyan, addressed the trustees. It was an effective talk on the work of the denominational college. At the close of the session additional subscriptions were announced as follows: Dennis Kenyon, McLean, Ill., $1000; Mrs. Cramp, Bloomington, $1000; Mrs. Martha Buck, $1000. It was resolved to make the total subscription at this time at least $30,000.

### MURDERED IN ST. LOUIS.

**D. C. Collins of Nashville, Tenn., Lured Into Some Bushes and Assaulted and Robbed.**

St. Louis, June 16.—At Meramec Height, a summer resort near here, at midnight last night D. C. Collins, a wealthy citizen of Nashville, Tenn., was lured into a clump of bushes, beaten over the head with a hammer and probably fatally injured and robbed of $6000 in cash, the proceeds of the sale of a hotel in Nashville. His assailant is Martin Enslee, whom he had known intimately since boyhood. Enslee is from Memphis and is a son of Col. Enoch Enslee, one of the most prominent mine owners and planters of the south. Enslee turned up afterwards covered with blood, claiming he and his friend had been assaulted, but it chanced that the attack was seen by two men who also saw Enslee pass the proceeds of the robbery to a confederate, who escaped. Collins has identified Enslee as his assailant. He was arrested. They are interested in some horses at the track here.

**After the Jubilee the American Hog.**

New York, June 16.—After the Queen's jubilee the United States ambassadors to Great Britain and Germany and United States minister to Berlin will take vigorous steps to secure a modification of the laws against American sheep and cattle and meats, which now mean a loss to the American agricultural interests of $1,000,000 a year. So spoke Bellamy Storer, the new United States minister to Belgium just before sailing for his post today. "This action," continued Storer, "will be simultaneous. The administration at Washington is determined to protect American agricultural interests and do its utmost to have the discriminative laws of European countries against our products changed. The administration has called attention of all United States representatives to the urgency of vigorous action."

**On the Appellate Bench.**

The Illinois supreme court Tuesday made the assignments for the appellate courts in the four districts. The following is the assignment in the second district: Second district, Ottawa—Judges John D. Crabtree, Dixon; Dorrence Dibell, Joliet; Farnois M. Wright, Urbana, to succeed Judges Crabtree, Lyman Lacey of Havana and Oliver A. Harker of Carbondale.

The placing of Judge Wright from the Sixth judicial circuit on the appellate bench will put all the work on Judge Vail and Judge Cochran in this district and they will have three counties each to look after.

**Count Ito Interviewed.**

Paris, June 16.—The Matin publishes an interview with Count Ito, of Japan now in that city, in which he says Japan never had any idea of entering into a conflict with the United States as the outcome of the trouble between Japan and Hawaii, which incidents had been greatly exaggerated. Eclair says four bombs or infernal machines have been discovered in Paris during the past month.

**Turkish Deception.**

Lina, Thessaly, June 16.—Turkish troops are posting guns on Orthry's Heights, and are concealing them beneath the branches of trees. They have also placed artillery in the ruined convent of Anasitis. Turkish scouts have been seen at night on neutral ground between the two armies. These things have created much distrust among the Greeks.

## BELLIGERENCY.

### The President Ready to Have the Senate Joint Resolution Passed by the House.

### CHOICE MADE FOR MADRID MISSION

### Stewart L. Woodford Chosen—McKinley Yields to the People's Wishes and Will Take the Chances of War.

Washington, June 16.—The president came back to Washington with two strong inclinations formed about Cuba.

1. To interpose no further objection to the passage of the belligerency resolution.

2. To appoint Stewart L. Woodford, of New York, Minister to Spain.

"Let the people have their way," the president is reported to have said tersely when asked by a senator as to his intentions in Cuban affairs. He is satisfied that public sentiment demands the passage of the resolution. His trip to the south has enabled him to judge somewhat of the feeling on the subject. The disposition is strong in him to let the leaders of the house know that action there will not in any way embarrass his policy. When the resolution comes to him, he will sign it.

The inclination to exercise no further restraint upon the house in the matter of the resolution may not take effect for several days. But those very close to the president believe that within a week or ten days the house will take up and pass the resolution.

### QUEEN ALMOST TOTALLY BLIND.

**Sad News of England's Queen on the Eve of the Jubilee.**

London, June 16.—It is announced on the authority of one of the royal physicians attendant upon her Majesty that "the Queen is almost totally blind." No details of the sad news are yet available beyond the fact that the affliction is a recent culmination though it had for some time been threatened.

If the cause of her Majesty's blindness is cataract which is the commonest form of impaired sight in advanced age it of course is possible to cure it by a simple and delicate operation. No information is yet vouchsafed on this point. In fact it was hoped that the pitiful truth that the aged queen would be unable to see the millions of her subjects who pay homage to her next Tuesday would be withheld from their knowledge until after the jubilee.

This is the true reason why she will not ride alone in the procession, and why she will not leave her carriage at the service to be held at St. Paul's Cathedral Tuesday, and it is semi-officially announced that she will be unable to respond to the greetings that will be extended to her along the line of the royal procession. It also explains, possibly, the recent revival of the gossip of a regency under the Prince of Wales in the near future.

**Lincoln's Nephew Made Custodian.**

Springfield, June 16.—The trustees of the Lincoln homestead in this city, composed of the governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer and superintendent of public instruction, met in the governor's office yesterday and appointed Albert S. Edwards, of this city, custodian of the Lincoln home, to succeed Herman Hoffcamp, removed. Mr. Edwards is a nephew of Abraham Lincoln. It was at the home of his father, the late Ninian Edwards, that Abraham Lincoln was married. It was also in this same home that Mrs. Lincoln died. The board considered it fitting that the care and custody of this historic place be given in charge of a member of the Lincoln family. It is also understood that it was the desire and wish of Robert T. Lincoln that his cousin, Mr. Edwards, should receive this appointment, and the position be removed from politics.

### BASE BALL.

**National League.**

New York 9, St. Louis 2.
Pittsburg 10, Washington 3.
Cleveland 4, Philadelphia 2.
Chicago 6, Brooklyn 4.
Baltimore 7, Louisville 2.
Boston 10, Cincinnati [illegible]
Western League.
Detroit 7, Milwaukee [illegible]
Columbus 6, Minneapolis 2.
Indianapolis 7, Kansas City 5.

### MARKET REPORT.

**BY B. E. TAYLOR.**

Chicago, June 16.—Wheat opened a little lower this morning, sold back up past the closing of yesterday, and then dropped below this morning's opening. The trade was good and the market was a fairly active one with plenty going on all the time to make it interesting. The cables were not very much on either side of the fence. London was slow and featureless for cargoes, while Liverpool was firmer and ⅜d above yesterday's closing, but in spite of Liverpool's quoting options higher New York reported that all cable bids were refused, so the higher Liverpool quotations could not help the price here much. The crowd, however, was inclined to be bullish and began the price up to run in shorts, but when July struck 69¼ there was more liberal selling and the fight began at that point, and later the market broke better than a cent. The weather map shows continued high temperatures with a few scattered showers.

Consols: Money 112⅜, account 112 15-16. The weekly crop reports said the winter wheat has continued to improve except on the Pacific coast, and that harvesting was in progress in southern Illinois, Missouri and Kansas, and almost completed farther south. The total clearances were a little light today being 90,608 wheat and 3,904,000 flour, equalling but 198,000 bushels of wheat. Of the eight cars of wheat received in Chicago this morning not one graded contract. Northwestern receipts showed a remarkable fall today. Minneapolis got 137 cars of wheat and Duluth got but 50, a total of only 187, against 213 (Minneapolis 109, Duluth 104) a week ago and 509 (Minneapolis 204, Duluth 305) a year ago.

Corn opened an eighth under yesterday's closing prices and exhibited good strength with good trade and an active market. Cables were steady and ¼d higher from Liverpool, but the sympathy with wheat was the prime factor in the up-turn and then corn would not break when wheat did. Total clearances were only 183,083 bushels. Of the 444 cars received in Chicago today 309 graded.

Oats opened a split under last night's close and were strong, going up a ways and then falling back. Trade fair; market not inactive; 35 cars graded of 225 received.

**Peoria.**

Peoria, June 16.—Corn firmer, 24; oats inactive; No. 3 white, 19¼ and 21; rye quiet, nominal.

**Chicago.**

Chicago, June 16.—Live poultry easier; turkeys 6 and 7; chickens 7; springers 12 and 18; ducks 7 and 8. Butter firm; creameries 11 and 14, dairies 9 and 12. Eggs steady, 8½.

**New York.**

New York, Butter steady, unchanged. July wheat 74½; corn 30⅜; oats 22¼.

**St. Louis.**

St. Louis, June 16.—Wheat, cash 82½; July 69; corn, cash 22½; July 23; oats, cash 18; July 18½

CHICAGO, Ill., June 16.

| | Opening. | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | |
| June | — | — | — | 69¼ |
| July | 69⅝ | 69⅞ | 68⅝ | 68¾ |
| Sept. | 64⅛ | 65⅛ | 64⅛ | 64⅜ |
| Corn— | | | | |
| June | — | — | — | 24⅜ |
| July | 24⅞ | 25¼ | 24⅞ | 25⅛ |
| Sept. | 26 | 26⅜ | 25⅞ | 26⅛ |
| Oats— | | | | |
| June | — | — | — | 18⅛ |
| July | 18½ | 18¾ | 18⅛ | 18⅜ |
| Sept. | 18⅝ | 18⅞ | 18½ | 18⅝ |
| Pork— | | | | |
| July | 7.67½ | 7.70 | 7.45 | 7.45 |
| Lard | | | | |
| July | 3.67½ | 3.67½ | 3.62½ | 3.62½ |
| Ribs | | | | |
| July | 4.45 | 4 40 | 4.30 | 4.32 |

July wheat: Puts, 67¾; Calls, 69⅜; Curb, 68½.

**Hogs.**

Hog receipts, 40,000; estimated 36,000.

Market weak, 5c lower.

Light, $3.40@3.57; Mixed, $3.42@3.55; Heavy, $3.40@3.52; Rough, $3.20@3.30.

Estimated for to-morrow, 26,000.

**Cattle.**

Cattle receipts, 15,500. Market weak, 10c lower.

**A Busy Time for Holmes.**

Deputy Sheriff Holmes has been hustling since last night. He bagged two prisoners who are in the county jail. One is Hugh Hasty, who is accused by Miss Emma James with being the father of her unborn child. The other is Louis Ray, wanted in the Oklahoma district for threatening to shoot Mrs. Cooper, a relative.

**Married.**

At the J. M. Huff hotel parlor, on June 16, by Judge Hammer, Nathan Coleman and Miss Lola Ater, both of Argenta. Among the witnesses of the marriage were James Litchenberger, of Maroa, guardian of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. Cole, of Argenta.

**Ellis is Fast.**

At the Sidney, Ohio, races a few days ago Ellis Powers, the rapid pacer, won a race in three straight heats, 2:14¾, 2:15¼ and 2:11¼. She was formerly owned by Brenneman & Co.

**Foundered in a Hurricane.**

Belfast, June 16.—The steamer [illegible] was foundered today in a hurricane and ten of the crew were lost.

## FOURTH OF JULY.

### Decatur Will Celebrate Saturday July 3 with Music, Oration, Games and Fire.

### A COMMITTEE WHICH MEANS SUCCESS

### The Arrangements for the Celebration Will be Pushed With Great Vigor with the View of Success.

As stated in these columns on Monday Dunham Relief Corps some time since determined if possible to bring about a Fourth of July celebration in Decatur, and after the corps passed on the matter it was taken up by the conference committee of the corps and post, and outside parties whose views were desired were called in conference with them with the result that it was decided that a celebration embracing games would be feasible and an executive committee to have full charge and management in promoting the celebration was agreed to. A joint meeting of the Corps, Post, Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid was called and held at the post hall last night to pass upon the action of the conference committee. The report of the conference committee recommended the celebration of the Fourth on Saturday, July 3, and that Hon. B. Z. Taylor, F. B. Mueller, D. A. Maffit, W. F. Calhoun, Mrs. Sue Abel and Mrs. Sallie Harwood, an executive committee, have complete control of all arrangements and the appointment of all necessary committees. The report was unanimously adopted and now the matter of holding a Fourth of July celebration in Decatur is in the hands of this committee.

The Republican in a former reference to this matter stated that when the committee was announced it would be a guarantee to the public that the celebration would be a success and that everything connected with it would be done in the proper spirit and in a business way. Now that the names have been made public the Republican sees no reason to change its mind but on the contrary wishes to emphasize its previous utterance. If this committee cannot honor Decatur in this affair then no other aggregation could do so. They will meet tonight and formulate some plans to put the project in motion and will, of course, have the co-operation of our people in all they undertake.

All other towns in the neighborhood of Decatur have selected July 5 to celebrate and therefore the day selected for Decatur will not be used in any of the neighboring cities and everybody will be free to come to Decatur on that day and help swell the crowd in Decatur. It is fairly well settled that among the attractions will be bicycle races and athletic contests, consisting of jumping, running, hammer throwing and putting the shot, in which a large number of high school and college students will participate, closing with fireworks.

There will be an oration by some prominent gentleman or lady, possibly Hon. W. J. Calhoun, of Danville, the president's special commissioner to Cuba. Mr. Calhoun has been approached on the subject of giving that day to Decatur and the chances are that he will accept the invitation when he returns from Washington, where he now is for his final conference with President McKinley in relation to Cuba.

Mr. Calhoun is one of the finest orators in the state and if his consent is secured it will prove a great attraction. The people of Decatur will appreciate this movement to again put Decatur in the roll of cities that hold Fourth of July celebrations and will promptly respond with money and influence and good cheer to mak e this one which will do honor to the city.

**Raided.**

Five gambling houses at Springfield were raided yesterday by the police because countrymen who had lost money made a roar to the officers. The places "pulled" were those of Sam Marshall, Flynn's, William Spangler, Ben Clark and Harry Lane's old place. Sixty people were arrested and all but four gave bonds. The two countrymen who made the complaint got away.

**Damage was Done.**

It is reported that the rain of last Monday night did considerable damage to the farmers. South of the city the rain washed away a good deal of the corn and damaged it to considerable extent. A small bridge near Boody was entirely washed away. North of the city the rain was so heavy that the water in the creek washed over the bridge on the Bloomington road but no damage was done.

The [illegible] predicts the rain.

# PUBLIC FUNDS WASTED.

## Some Reasons Why Times Are Hard and Taxes High.

### The Expensive Pleasure Junket of Gen. Miles a Case in Point—Memories of Objector Holman.

[Special Washington Letter.]

Having begun to tell the truth, it is just as well to go ahead and tell the whole truth.

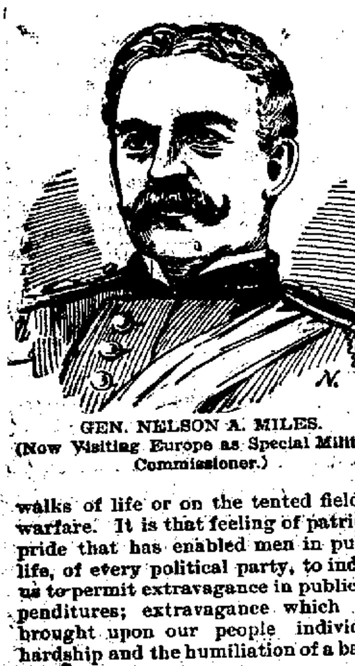
Very few Washington correspondents tell all they know, for many reasons. In the first place, the editor don't believe it can be possible that such things should be. In the next place, the Washington correspondent soon becomes conservative, for he finds that public men do not like to have the whole truth told; and unless he is in favor with public men he cannot get much news. If he cannot get news in abundance he cannot get a good salary, and he may even be discharged. And nobody, not even a Washington correspondent, likes the curtailment of his bread and butter.

It is a matter of personal knowledge with me, as a result of years of close observation, that for a long time the government of the United States has been extravagantly administered. That is a matter of knowledge. It is my individual opinion that the government has for years been corruptly administered, and, when we have gone clear through the subject during the next few weeks, you will probably reach the same conclusion.

As a practical illustration, let us make note of the fact that Maj. Gen. Miles recently went to Europe at the expense of the government to investigate the military systems of the old world. Before starting he drew $4,000 for expenses. How would you like to be able to go into the national treasury and draw $4,000 for a trip through Europe and start off, knowing that there are many other thousands which you may draw when you need them?

Make note also of the fact that Gen. Miles paid $500 for palatial apartments on the steamer which took him across the ocean. Think of it! He spent the sum of $500 in a little more than five days, and the money was taken out of the treasury of the whole people of this republic. They say that it is necessary for the general commanding the army of the United States to travel in great style, or else people of other countries would say that we are still backwoodsmen.

What do we care what people say of us? If our money was not stolen from us under various plausible pretexts we would have a rich and powerful government, and no nation on earth would want to tackle us as "backwoodsmen," either in the peaceful walks of life or on the tented field of warfare. It is that feeling of patriotic pride that has enabled men in public life, of every political party, to induce us to permit extravagance in public expenditures; extravagance which has brought upon our people individual hardship and the humiliation of a bankrupt national treasury.



GEN. NELSON A. MILES.
(Now Visiting Europe as Special Military Commissioner.)

Before taking up other subjects let us make note of the fact that Gen. Miles has with him a captain of the regular army as a military aid; and also a private secretary. Inasmuch as the general has nothing to do but take a pleasure trip, what need has he of an aid in doing nothing? The captain's salary goes on, and all of his expenses must be paid; and you and I are paying all of the expenses.

Gen. Miles has rendered his country splendid services. He went into the volunteer army in 1861 and has served in many campaigns. He is the best Indian fighter of this generation, and too much cannot be said in praise of his career. But he has been well paid all the time, and now draws a princely salary. He will draw his salary as long as he lives.

Gen. Howard, Gen. Ruger, Gen. Brooke, and many other men, have been gallant soldiers; but they do not aspire to an expensive junket, for their own personal gratification, glory and renown. They are contented to be good soldiers, to receive their salaries, and end their days in dignity and honor, without taxing the people whom they have served in the military branch of the government. Why should one man have the privilege of an expensive junket through Europe, because he has been a good soldier?

Many a good soldier went on foot through all the campaigns of the civil war, and also fought through Indian campaigns. Every one of them was exposed to shot and shell, and offered his life for his country. Every one of them is a hero. In this republic, where all men are free and equal, every private soldier who went into battle is as much entitled to a trip through Europe as the man who wore shoulder straps, and received a splendid salary. Now, honor bright: isn't that so?

John Hay was private secretary to President Abraham Lincoln. He is a distinguished scholar and diplomat. Since the civil war he has been a prosperous literary man. He is wealthy. But John Hay went to London, as the ambassador of the United States, on the same steamer with Gen. Miles; but his trip cost only a little more than $100 across the ocean. He had good quarters, befitting his rank and position. Why could not the general of the army be content with similar quarters?

Simply because he wants to make a splurge of it, and he will incur similar princely expenses all along the line.

It has been 40 years since this government sent army officers to Europe to study the art of war, as carried on in the old world. During Buchanan's administration, Cols. Robert E. Lee and George B. McClellan traveled in Europe at government expense; but they were not allowed unlimited credit at the treasury department. Within a few years after their tour at government expense there was a civil war in this country. Col. Robert E. Lee lifted his sword against the government, and became the most distinguished soldier of the confederacy. Col. McClellan organized and disciplined a splendid army for his government, but, although popular then and until this day with his soldiers, McClellan was unable to win victories. Therefore, both of the men who traveled in Europe, at the expense of the government, literally wasted the money which was expended for them in their trip.

WHITELAW REID,
(Special Ambassador to Queen Victoria's Jubilee.)

Can you see any necessity for this trip of Gen. Miles? I cannot. He is a trained soldier, and as good a general as there is living to-day. He needs no lessons in the art of war from Turkey, Greece or any other nation. No; he simply wanted to take a trip through Europe, and his wish was gratified. He is going to have a good time, and be received in a princely manner by the princes of the old world; and we are to pay the enormous bills. The men whom we have honored and set up to run our government for us do not seem to care for expenses, but it is time for the people to begin thinking about these things in detail, and to demand of their representatives economy in government expenditures.

You have often read or heard of Congressman Holman, of Indiana, who was called "the great objector," but you probably did not know the man. He was a democrat. I was a republican. But we were good friends for many years, until the day of his death, last April. Some time in February last he said to me: "I began to be an objector to all appropriation bills, when I began my second term in congress, in 1861. I came here in 1859, and was made a member of the committee on revolutionary claims. Although the war had been over for 80 years, there were claims amounting to upwards of $100,000,000 referred to our committee. Nearly all of the original claimants were dead. The claims were kept alive by attorneys and lobbyists. Our chairman opposed them, and very few passed. There was a smooth attorney, however, who told me a pitiful story about an old lady living in Virginia, who was almost starving, and he excited my sympathies. I studied the case, and made a favorable report on it. Then I dismissed it from my mind. Just before the congress adjourned, President Buchanan sent for me. I went to the white house, and there was the bill. It had passed both houses of congress, and was before the president for his signature. He asked me if I thought he ought to sign the bill. I told him that I did not know that the bill had passed, and declined to advise him. He allowed the bill to become a law, without his signature, by giving it the ten days' limit allowed by the constitution.

"In January, 1861, just before the close of Buchanan's administration, I was at the white house one day, and the president said to me: 'Holman, I have accidentally learned about the suffering old lady in Virginia. She has been dead for 20 years, and the entire $50,000 appropriated in that bill was drawn out of the treasury by that attorney, and he alone was the beneficiary of your benevolent report on the bill.' From that time until the present, I have objected to all bills appropriating the money of the people. It has been a matter of conscientious performance of duty with me. I was guilty of complicity in a scheme to rob the treasury of $50,000, although I was an innocent party; and I have determined to save the people that sum of money. Fortunately, I have lived long enough to save the people at least $50,000,000 by my objections to all sorts of schemes. Newspapers and individuals have called me all sorts of harsh names; but I am on good terms with my conscience, and am satisfied with my career."

Nobody has greater respect for the military career and distinguished public services of Gen. Miles than the writer of these lines. Nevertheless, he is traveling at public expense, and at exaggerated expense, and his junket through Europe is for his own benefit, rather than for the benefit of the people; and it is not right. It is reprehensible that any man should be permitted to have such a junket out of the funds of the treasury of this republic.

SMITH D. FRY.

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### The One Above All Others.

"Who is accepted as the head of your household, Esser, you or your wife?"

"The cook."—Detroit Free Press.

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### A Modern Instance.

"So that affair between Reggie Ashcraft and Penelope Phillips is off. What was the trouble?"

"Why, Reggie forgot that Mrs. Phillips is the man of the house and asked Penelope's father for her hand. Of course, when her mother found it out the whole business went down like a house of cards."—Cleveland Leader.

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### Disinterested.

"Yes," said the intelligent-looking lady, "I am earnestly in favor of the new go-without-your-breakfast cure, which is now so popular."

"You are—er—a physician, I suppose?" replied the gentleman.

"Well, no—not exactly. I keep a boarding-house."—N. Y. World.

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### Deeds, Not Words.

"I never talk to book agents," said the busy man.

"Good!" exclaimed the agent. "I admire a man of action. Now, just put your signature to this order and have it over with."—Philadelphia North American.

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### More Fun for the Boy.

"I see that they have fishing reels with ball bearings, now."

"Oh, of course. That only means further triumphs for the tow-headed urchin with the ox-gad pole and bent pin for a hook."—Detroit Free Press.

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Ice wholesales in Peoria as low as $1.60 per ton. Last year it sold for $3.

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Dr. P. S. Henson will deliver the Fourth of July oration at Fairbury.

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The Presbyterians at Chatsworth are raising money to build a new church.

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Wm. Metzger, of Clinton, aged 72, has had a severe attack of whooping cough.

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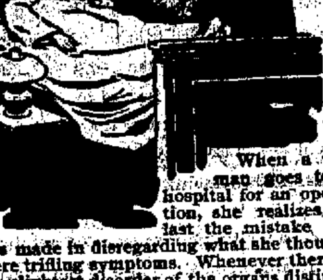

When a woman goes to a hospital for an operation, she realizes at last the mistake she has made in disregarding what she thought were trifling symptoms. Whenever there is the slightest disorder of the organs distinctly feminine, a woman's health and life are threatened. A cure cannot come too quickly—a woman cannot be too careful. Loss of her health means more than loss of life. It means the loss of dearer things—the loss of husband's love, the loss of children's happiness, the loss of possible children. Whenever a woman is sick she should look for the cause in some disturbance of the purely feminine organism, and she should take prompt measures to stop it. She should take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This wonderful medicine is the invention of a regularly graduated, skilled and expert specialist in the disease of women, and has had the most marvelous success of any medicine ever prepared.

Mrs. F. B. Cannings, of No. 4320 Humphrey St., St. Louis, Mo., writes: "I am now a happy mother of a fine, healthy baby girl. Feel that your 'Favorite Prescription' and little 'Pellets' have done me more good than anything I have ever taken. Three months previous to my confinement I sent for one of your 'Medical Advisers,' read some of the most important points, and felt satisfied to try your medicine. I took three bottles of the 'Prescription' and the little 'Pellets' also. Consequences were I was only in labor forty-five minutes. With my first baby I suffered 18 hours, then had to lose him. He was very delicate and only lived 12 hours. For two years I suffered untold agony, and in the meantime had two miscarriages. Cannot speak too highly of your medicine, as I feel that it has saved both my child and myself. My baby was born 31st of March. She is not yet three weeks old and I do not think I ever felt better in my life. I took the 'Prescription' through my confinement and am still taking it. Find it strengthening to myself and to the baby."

Winter sports in summer are enjoyed when you visit SNARR and coolly proceed to refrigerate your larynx with some of his rich and delicious Ice Cream, Ices and Ice Cream Soda Water in all flavors. Here is where you can wallow in December's snow while thinking of fantastic summer's heat. Bring your best girl along and the reaction of that cold on her chest will be a warm place in her heart.

Ice Cream delivered to any part of the city 30 cents per quart.

HARRY SNARR,
142 Merchant street. Tel. 320.

PANTS 3.50 AND UP. TO ORDER
SUITS 13.50 AND UP. TO ORDER
Decatur Tailoring Co.,
144 MERCHANT ST.

Millard & Julius Malenthal,
MANAGERS.

LADIES' LINEN COLLARS.

One lot of Ladies' Linen Collars, of the following brands: Evangeline, Modjeska and Empress, worth 12½c, closing out price, 5c each.

LADIES' LINEN CUFFS.

One lot of Ladies' Linen Cuffs, worth 25c, closing out price 10c pair.

One lot of Ladies' Colored Collars and Cuffs in sets of the following colors: Cardinal, Navy Blue and Linen Color, worth 50c, closing out price 25c per set.

LADIES' SILK TIES.

One lot of Ladies' Silk Club Ties, all new styles, Persian patterns, closing out price 5c each.

One lot of Club Bows, black and colors, worth 25c, closing out price 15c each.

LADIES' BELTS.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth 25c, closing out price 15c each.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth from 40c to 75c, closing out price 25c each.

One lot of Metal Belts, worth from 35c to 85c, closing out price 25c each.

CREAM COLORED LACES.

One lot of Cream Colored Laces, 2 to 4 inches wide, closing out price 5c yard.

SHIRT WAISTS.

12 dozen Ladies' Fine Madras Cloth Shirt Waists, with separate collars and cuffs, very choice patterns, sizes 32 to 40, made up by a special order house to sell at $2.25 each, our price $1.00 each.

SILK SASH RIBBONS.

1,000 yards of Fancy All Silk Sash Ribbons, in all the latest colorings and combinations, including Stripes, Plaids, Gauze and Dresden effects, all marked 25c yard.

SPECIAL RUG SALE.

This week we will offer Special Bargains in all kinds of Rugs.

Bradley Bros
Decatur Ill.

WINDOW SCREENS.

It is time to put them in order now.

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To Do It For You.

C. L. GRISWOLD & CO.

"Good Flour" Is Not Good Enough.

Pillsbury's Best is what every housewife wants. Makes the most bread, the whitest bread, the best bread.

Get Pillsbury's Best. Ask and insist.

WIEGAND'S
...SAMPLE ROOM...
227 North Main Street.
Fine Wines and Liquors.
FAUST
Beer on Draught and for Table Use.

Free Music all the time by the Graphophone. Come and hear it.

The Newest and Latest!

—Our new stock of—

Leather Belts and Shirt Waist Sets.

New, Stylish and Low Priced. See them.

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# Hot Weather Clothes.

## Thin Serge Coat and Vest.

Thin Linen Crash Suit from } $3.50 to $7.00

Men's Fine Wool Crash Suit, made up right at............ } $10.

Men's Fine Grey and Blue Serge Suit at.. } $8.50, $10, $12

Mens Light Scotch Suits from......... } $5 to $15

Thousands to Select From.

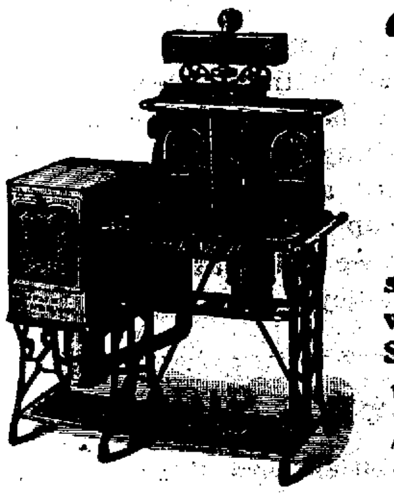
## Boys' Department.

Elegant Large assortment of Suits for Boys, 3 years and up, from.......... } $1 to $5

**...Ottenheimer & Co...**

The Progressive Clothiers,
Hatters and Furnishers.

Telephone 182. MASONIC TEMPLE.



## "Quick Meal."

Warm Weather will soon be here and you will want that new "Oil Stove."

*What to Buy?*
*The Best, of Course.*

Is there any question as to the Best when more than half of all the evaporating stoves sold in the United States during last season were "QUICK MEALS." They always give satisfaction. We are the agents for their full line. See them and you will have no other.

**Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.**

ONE BLOCK EAST OF MILLIKIN BANK.

## Couldn't "See It."

A man died at the age of 79 years the other day. He was born in Kansas, raised in Kansas, married in Kansas, never left Kansas, and was buried in Kansas, and still he never saw a circus, never saw a nickel-in-the-slot machine and never saw a railroad or a train of cars. He wasn't blind, either, but he made up his mind that they couldn't be much, and he never knew what he missed. There are people in Decatur who fool themselves out of many a good thing simply because they WON'T see; mothers who buy things for boys. They've HEARD about us, about our clothes, about our prices, but they've simply made up their minds that neither we, nor our clothes, nor our prices amount to much—and THEY DON'T SEE. We are selling Children's Wash Suits for 50c that many a store gets 75c for. We are selling Wash Knee Pants for 25c. You'll pay double if you don't get out of your old rut and see what's going on.

222 North Main Street,
Between Prairie and William.

**MAIENTHAL'S.**

HAVE YOU TRIED—

## CHASE & SANBORN'S COFFEES?

Sold Only at—

**"The Economy,"**

221 North Water Street.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Opera house orchestra will be at Riverside park theatre tonight.

The Goodman band may go to Clinton on July 5 to compete for a prize in the band contest.

First $2 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

Two dollars to Chicago and return on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20, via Illinois Central railroad.—8-td

The Decatur pension examining board held its regular meeting today.

First of the season to Chicago only $2 round trip, via I. C. railroad, Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

Inspect those new style Reed & Sons pianos at the Prescott music house. They are beauties and can be had at low figures on easy terms. Call and see them.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. mch 25-dtf

Extremely low prices on buggies and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—28-d&wtf

Regular meeting of Coeur de Leon lodge No. 17, Knights of Pythias tomorrow night.

Prayer meeting by Union mission at Bro. Lindsay's at east end of street car line on east Leafland avenue on Thursday evening and at Sister Barlon's, 548 North Stone street Friday evening.

The late legislature donated the state fair $71,000: To pay indebtedness $27,000, to build barns $14,000, poultry house $10,000, extend machinery hall $10,000, to improve grounds $10,000.

Hear the gold medal contest by the young ladies at the First M. E. church Friday evening. A colored lady is to be one of the speakers. All have won silver medals.

The Republican is in receipt of the program of the impressive services held in the Marble Collegiate church, New York city, in which Rev. John Lewis Clark, formerly of Long Creek township, Macon county, took part. Rev. Mr. Clark presided at the ordination of Fred J. Barny, who is soon to sail as a missionary to Arabia.

First of the season. $2 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20. Tickets good going on 7:10 a. m. and 11:59 a. m. trains of Saturday and, Diamond Special of Sunday morning. Tickets limited to return on June 20—8-dtd.

The Barnum & Bailey show had a big day at Springfield—fine weather afternoon and night. The Decatur small boys couldn't understand why the rain didn't hold off here Monday night so they could have seen the circus. Now they will have to wait a whole year.

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dying and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

"Going into a decline." How often do we hear this expression. What does it mean? It means that people are losing flesh, growing thin, wasting.

The way to correct this condition is to improve the indigestion. The condition arises from an inability to eat and digest food. In fact food does more harm than good because it ferments and putrifies in the stomach, developing poisonous substances which when absorbed cause various disorders.

What is required is that the stomach be made to perform its duties. The Shaker Digestive Cordial is a food already digested and a digester of foods as well. It will make the stomach healthy. Get a book from the druggist and read about it.

A California chemist has robbed Castor Oil of its bad taste. Laxol is its name.

## Hinkle's Best FLOUR.

Is the finest flour sold in the City of Decatur. It has no equal for making good bread. If you want the Best Flour made use HINKLE'S BEST. If you can't get it call up

—PHONE 560.—

☞ The following merchants sell it:

Heilman & Son.
Drebisch Bros.
Keys Bros.
Henry Lyon
J. H. Beatty.
C. C. Radcliff.
Shafer Bros.
J. E. Wheeler.
W. R. Howard.
Chas. McC[illegible]
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May Bros.
Robt. McCane.
William Niedermeyer
H. Meyer.
McMahan & Patton.
Schlie & Oehler.
I. N. Cool.
Wolkerman & Kampp.
D. Armbruster.
R. W. Davis.
Bee Hive.
T. T. Springer.

## THE STATE MEET.

### Wheelmen's Meeting June 22-29.

June 27, 28 and 29 will be banner days for Illinois and especially Springfield. Arrangements are now almost completed for the meeting of the Illinois division, League of American Wheelmen, to be held at the capital at that time. The program is an elaborate one. The entry blanks for the races are just out and the list is an exceptionally fine one—good enough, in fact, to draw the entries of the best of the cracks in both the amateur and professional classes. The program consists of eighteen races with valuable prizes.

The races will be run in the afternoon of each day, and if the entries are large enough to necessitate trial heats, they will be run off in the morning. Of course the races will afford the principal entertainment for the visitors, but various other things are being arranged to make this the greatest and most enjoyable meeting ever held by the Illinois division. A prominent feature will be a ball game, the morning of the 28th, between the Illinois Cycling club of Chicago and the team of the C. C. C. C. of Springfield. A number of runs and excursions have been mapped out for the preceding Sunday and for the following two days. Immense interest is being taken in the meet all over the state and the indications are that the town will be filled with wheelmen. Chief Consul Fred Patee has been in consultation with the promoters of the meet, Messrs. J. P. Murphy and Charles Robinson, and is confident that the meet will be a most successful one.

## THE WERNER-CURTIS WEDDING.

### The Young Couple Married at Their Own Home.

There was a happy marriage last evening at 7:30 o'clock at 710 North Main street, in the presence of the relatives and a few of the more intimate friends of the bride and groom. The contracting pair were Mr. Brugh Werner and Miss Florence J. Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Curtis. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. C. B. Dabney, of Peoria, an old friend of Mr. Curtis and family. The marriage took place in the home of the couple. It had been furnished throughout in advance for their use, and in their own home they had arranged to have the wedding occur. Delicious refreshments were served after the congratulations had been offered. The bride was gowned in pink organdie decked with honeysuckles.

Mr. Werner is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Werner, and besides being the bookkeeper and collector in the office of the Huff Brothers' Lumber company, is an active member of the Baptist church and a member of the Sunday school orchestra. Both are popular young people in the community and all of their many friends join in extending congratulations.

## SPAN OF HORSES STOLEN.

### C. S. Bullard, a Farmer in Illini Township, Visited by Robbers.

The barn of C. S. Bullard, residing near Warrensburg, was entered at 12 o'clock last night by two unknown thieves, who stole a span of bay horses and got away with a set of double harness. The thieves were seen with the horses two miles south of Warrensburg at 1 o'clock by a farmer who had been aroused by the barking of his dog. It is supposed that the thieves in their flight stole a wagon or surry and police officers and others are warned to be on the watch for strangers who may offer a span of bay horses and a rig for sale. Mr. Bullard offers a cash reward of $25.

### Domestic Trouble.

In the circuit court Mrs. E. A. Simons has applied for a divorce from Charles Simons, her husband, charging drunkenness and non-support. The complainant says that he would not only support her but would not let her support herself. The furniture at the Simons boarding house is owned in common, but Charles has property in Guttenburg, Iowa, six lots; he also has a mortgage on other property in that city. In Macon county he owns a tract of 20 acres of land which is encumbered by a mortgage of $700. This property he has threatened to dispose of and she fears that he will do so. As a further cause for asking a divorce she declares that he has tried to shoot her. The court granted the injunction restraining Simons from disposing of his property until the case can be heard at the next term of court. Harry Pasco is the attorney for the complainant.

### Verdict for Johnson for $25.

In Justice Shorb's court yesterday afternoon, hot as it was, the court, jury, lawyers and spectators, as well as the confident plaintiff in the case on trial, got quite a Frost, but it didn't serve to lower the temperature. It was the case of Edward Frost vs Ole Johnson, action to recover rent to the amount of $70 for the Franklin house. The account was not disputed, but Johnson produced offsets by way of a big bar bill, borrowed money and rent due for a dwelling to show that Frost owed him $95, and soon after consultation the jury brought in a verdict against Frost for $25. Attorney L. F. Shelley appeared for the plaintiff and Attorney Hutchinson for the defendant.

### The McCarty Estate.

Tuesday afternoon at the court house entrance J. J. Finn, master in chancery, sold the McCarty property at public sale. This was in accordance with an order of the court in the partition suit of E. S. McCarty vs William Taylor, bishop of Africa. The property was nearly all bought by Mr. McCarty. The home place on East Eldorado street sold for $6000, Mr. McCarty buying it in. He also bought the lot on Sangamon street for $385 and lot 15, block 24 in Carver's addition (there is a house on it) for $470. The part of the lot on which Sargent's chapel is built that was still in the name of Mrs. McCarty was sold to Hiram Johnson for the chapel for $95. The three lots in Litchfield were sold to Morton Culver for $550.

### Epworth League Officers.

The sessions of the Decatur district convention of the Epworth League closed with a social last night at Grace Methodist church. The next meeting will be held at Latham. These officers were elected:

President—J. L. Spence, Decatur.

First Vice-president—Dollie Wetzel, Stonington.

Second Vice-president—Mattie Palmer, Latham.

Third Vice-president—Clara Hight, Macon.

Fourth Vice-president—Leah Fribley, Assumption.

Secretary—W. I. McMullen, Lovington.

Treasurer—Ralph Ayars, Moweaqua.

Superintendent of Junior Leagues—A. H. Jones, Decatur.

Board of Control—E. J. Durham, Moweaqua; C. F. McKeown, Harristown; Clara Boyd, Pana.

A lecture was given by Rev. Jesse Bowman Young, D.D., editor of the Central Christian Advocate, St. Louis. He talked on "Francis Asbury."

G. A. Kenney conducted the Decatur juniors through their drill.

### Echo of the Storm.

The storm of Monday evening was quite severe in the vicinity of Harristown and Niantic. From Wyckle's Switch for several miles westward along the line of the Wabash road the telegraph poles were blown over, lying flat on the ground, with the wire connection broken. In the villages and in the country trees and fences were blown over by the hurricane and there was a very heavy rain. There was no work in the corn fields Tuesday. At Harristown the large tree in front of the house of Mr. Towne was struck twice by lightning and the trunk of the elm was slivered. One stroke killed two birds that happened to be seeking shelter in the foliage of the tree.

### Free Show at the Park.

The Empire Comedy company closed their week's engagement at Mandan opera house on Saturday evening of last week with a splendid presentation of the great western drama, "M'Liss." This company is one of the best that has ever appeared before the people of Mandan, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that we are permitted to announce a special return engagement for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

This company at Riverside park tonight presenting the great comedy "The Police Alarm." Transportation to and from the park and admission to the show all for 10 cents.

### You Can Get Your Money Back.

If there are any people in and about Decatur who bought tickets in advance for the Barnum & Bailey show Monday night they are requested to send their names and addresses with the tickets purchased (not passes) to Treasurer Young at Peoria by Friday, June 18, or to Champaign by Saturday, June 19, and they can have their money refunded at once. The show management is anxious to return every cent paid out for tickets that were not used. No money will be paid for passes given out.

### Will Hold Camp Meeting.

The Illinois Holiness association camp meeting, which will be held in Springfield August 19 to 29, will be held in the state fair grounds, permission having been granted to the association for that purpose. Dr. B. Carradine, a celebrated southern evangelist and author of numerous works on the subject, will have charge of the meetings. Evangelist Kennedy will have charge of the singing. Rev. Dr. Hogg, of Greenville college, and other workers, will be in attendance.

### Settled for $60.

G. F. Schultze, formerly a police officer, is now square with the city. While engaged in making an arrest he fractured an ankle. He was laid up for several months. He asked for pay during disability. His petition to the council was referred to the mayor. Mr. Schultze and Mayor Taylor have reached an agreement, Schultze agreeing to take $60 as settlement in full.

### Fire in Long Creek.

The John M. Moothart barn and corncrib in Long Creek township was consumed by fire at 3 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning. There were 1900 bushels of corn in the crib and the barn was a large and valuable structure. The loss is partly covered by insurance. The fire was of incendiary origin. There can be no mistake about that.

### Excursion to Mackinaw.

The Grace M. E. Sunday school will give an excursion and picnic to Mackinaw Thursday, June 17. Friends of the school and the public generally are very cordially invited to go with them. Fare for the round trip [illegible] under 12 years [illegible]. The train will leave the Union depot at 7:30 a. m.—11-d2t.

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Ha[illegible] $1.75
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Special [illegible]
at L. Conner's [illegible] House.

## ATHLETIC CLUB.

### Formed Last Night by Members of the Y. M. C. A.—Officers are Elected and Constitution Adopted.

At a meeting held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last night an athletic club was formed by some of the members of the association. A constitution was adopted, officers were elected and about twenty-five boys joined.

The purpose of the club is to create an interest in outdoor athletics. Only members of the association are eligible to membership. Louis White was elected president and Charles Imboden was elected as secretary and treasurer. The board of control will consist of the chairman of the athletic committee of the Y. M. C. A., the general secretary, the president of the club and two other members, Homer Erwin and George Lytle. They will have absolute control of the club. The grounds on East Eldorado street which are owned by Dr. Carr have been secured and money will be raised to properly fit them up for athletics. Different divisions will be organized for different classes of work, and captains will be chosen for each division. Contests will be held and medals will be offered for prizes. The grounds will be rented to parties outside of the club when desired.

## A CLIPPING

### For Those Who Talk to the Public.

The following comments on advertising made by the advertisement writer for the Postum Cereal Co., Lim., of Battle Creek, Mich., may interest some who have been attracted by the rather unique article from his pen:

"Make up the stories? why—yes, to be sure they are dressed and trimmed some, but they are all founded upon fact.

"That is, for instance a mail carrier, clerk, lawyer, or what not with whom I may be talking, tells me his experience with Postum."

His story possibly, is long enough for two columns of solid matter if reported verbatim.

I take the main facts and boil down the talk until we can afford to run it as a pleasant but of shop talk with our friends and customers (the public) and not bankrupt us. I always stick to the facts, as I consider that when a man advertises he simply talks to his customers, and if he lies in his advertisements he will lie in the face to face chats.

Tell the truth: it is more fascinating than all the romances one can spin up

When you write an advertisement try and look upon yourself as conversing with, or explaining to, some one who wants to know about the article you have to sell. They are interested, and they want to know how near your goods will fit their needs.

Tell them as plainly as possible without exaggeration or subterfuge just what you have, and leave them to judge whether they want it or not. Don't tell them to "buy this" or "eat that."

The public know about what they want to do, and the duty of the "ad" writers is to explain facts in an easily understood way.

First be sure you have an article of true merit, then tell the people about it. Tell them the truth and you add a goodly percentage of dignity and character to your business and to the product you are furnishing.

Wily grocers sometimes work in cheap imitations of Postum Cereal coffee if the customer will stand it.

## WILL WED TO-NIGHT.

### Marriage of William A. Shorb and Miss Lucile Myers to be Held at the English Lutheran Church.

The wedding of William A. Shorb and Miss Lucille Myers, the daughter of Dr. N. D. Myers, will occur this evening at 8:30 o'clock at the First English Lutheran church. Quite a large number of guests have been invited. After the ceremony at the church a reception will be given to the bridal party and relatives at the home of Dr. Myers, No. 1981 North Church street. Among those who are here from out of town to attend the wedding are Mrs. Clarence Martin, of Ithica, N. Y., and Miss Clara Eaton, of Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Shorb will make their home at No. 1074 West Wood street. The bride is the youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N. D. Myers and the groom is a member of the plumbing firm of Zimmerman & Shorb, and a son of Justice W. H. [illegible]

### Postponed.

The entertainment which was to have been given Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. W. M. Catto by the members of the woman's auxiliary of St. John's Episcopal church, has been postponed until further notice.

### Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan9-d&wtf

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1897.

### WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 16.—Generally fair tonight and Thursday except occasional thunder storms; cooler by Thursday night; brisk southerly winds.

### McKinley's Caution.

It is announced that at the cabinet meeting yesterday it was definitely decided that no positive action will be taken in relation to the Cuban situation until a minister has been appointed to Spain and he has assumed his duties. This only seems to emphasize the fact that the president has an intricate task on his hands. No man knows better than he the overwhelming sentiment in this country in favor of action on the part of the governmen in favor of Cuba and the president is well known to appreciate fully the power of the people and the ordinary safety in trusting them. He has, however, a well-defined maxim which he consults in times when public sentiment may have been wrought upon under false pretenses or false promises. Under such conditions he has often declared that when the people have been misled, and for a time favor some policy which in the end they will regret, that the person who as a leader, for personal political preferment, takes advantage of such conditions, will as soon as the people discover their error be condemned by the people though he sided with them. As an example of the truth of this philosophy we may point to the free trade sentiment in 1890 and again in 1892. Those statesmen who led in that erroneous policy were condemned by the people and had not those leaders sprung the equally bad issue of free coinage of silver none of them would have been left in 1896 to tell the tale. Another example of the correctness of this fact may be found in the declaration of war against Turkey by Greece. Nothing could have been more popular and when that course resulted in the ignominious defeat of the Greek army the same people who cried "God save King George," must now be prevented from doing the royal family bodily injury.

In view of these facts the president may be excused for acting cautiously. When he came into office he found the government represented at Havana and Madrid by men who are not in sympathy with the president's party. He found on the statute books a system of revenue which was producing a regular monthly deficiency with a senate without a Republican majority and under such conditions he could not be blamed for taking steps cautiously. He has sent a special representative to Cuba to look the situation over. That representative has returned and he has, or will give, the president all the facts he has gathered. Men in sympathy with the president's party will be sent to represent the government at Havana and Madrid and having done this he will be prepared to put his policy into action without danger.

While the president must fully realize the momentous responsibilities involved in war he no doubt fully sympathizes with the brave and struggling patriots, and in due time, if Spain refuses to modify its course in the Cuban war, the president will interpose to end the war. But when he does act it will be with the full knowledge that his policy will be approved and supported by the people whatever the result may be.

The people need have no fear that the president lacks courage under proper and rational conditions. He is cool and cannot be stampeded, which fact Spain will probably learn later on. These traits were fully revealed in him in the civil war on more than one occasion. The man who can issue rations of coffee on the line of battle as McKinley did at Antietam; or who could go under a withering fire to save a regiment from capture as he did at Kernstown; or who could, as he did at Cedar Creek, when those bearing higher rank than he with their men were stampeded, plead with them to turn and face the enemy, assuring them that the day was not lost, will not fail the cause of liberty and justice in the case of the Cubans when the conditions warrant prompt and decisive action on the part of the chief executive. It should also be borne in mind that the man, who by personal experience knows what war is, is not likely to send others to war who do not know what it is, until it is actually necessary, as one who has never faced the horrors of the battle field.

### Business Continues to Revive.

Notwithstanding the fact that the tariff bill has not yet been placed upon the tariff books, and that the revival of industries and business cannot be expected to make itself apparent in a full degree until such action shall be had, the reports from business centres which reach members of congress are extremely gratifying. Dun's review, which is accepted as a reliable business barometer, not controlled or influenced by political or other causes which would affect its accuracy, presents the most satisfactory trade statement for the week that has been made since the present business depression began. That statement was remarkable in its showing of the decided decrease in embarrassments in all branches of trade and in reports of unusual activity in all the industries in anticipation of the passage of the tariff bill. The failures reported in most branches of trade are less in number than at any time in the last 86 months, while the volume of business transacted is, in quantity, larger than in 1892, the year of our greatest prosperity, the slight reduction in value being due to the smaller prices paid for the articles of commerce handled. When it is remembered that this happens before the new tariff bill gets upon the statute books, and with the industries of the country depressed by the importation of foreign goods at the rate of over a hundred millions a month, the improvement thus noted its very remrakable, and is proving very gratifying to those who are following the situation closely.

The erstwhile vice-presidential candidate of the Populist party, the Honorable Thomas E. Watson, still has his knife up his sleeve for the Honorable Marion Butler, chairman of the Populist national committee. He is also dallying with the same knife with reference to his running mate on the late presidential ticket, the Honorable William J. Bryan. He says in a recent editorial in his paper: "If Mr. Bryan is a Democrat let him say so. Then we will know what he is. If, as his friends assert he is a real Populist, let him be honest enough to quit parading in Democratic clothes."

Bimetallism in Europe has made great advance in the past few weeks. Meetings of the bimetallic associations in England, Germany and France have shown not only renewed interest in this subject, but have been attended with expressions of leading officials of England and France especially showing great anxiety for some concerted action which shall bring about an increased use of silver through international action. These were accompanied by a general expression of belief that international action upon this subject is the only method of obtaining definite and satisfactory results.

Present indications warrant the belief that the gold production of the world in the present year will reach the enormous sum of 250 million dollars. Not only are the mines of the United States turning out greater quantities of gold than last year, but recent repots from the wonderful mines in Africa, from those of South and Central America and Australia, all bring the same information. It is perfectly apparent that the gold production of the year will by far exceed that of any other year in history.

The Omaha World-Herald, Mr. Bryan's organ, in its extremity over the agony that thirty-five southern men in congress are supporting the protective tariff bill, charges that they are northern carpet-baggers, and do not represent southern sentiment. An examination of their autibiography in the congressional directory, nowever, shows that this statement is without foundation, as a very large per cent of the thirty-five southern supporters of the protective tariff bill are natives of the states which they now represent, or if not are natives of the south.

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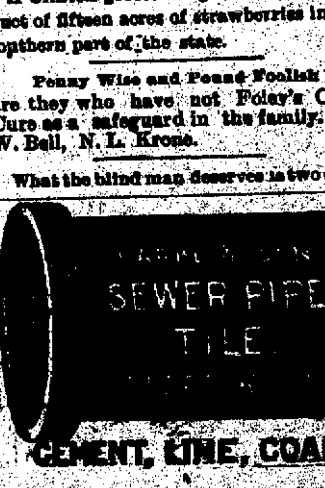

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## THE SICK-ROOM.

### Provisions for the Comfort of the Occupant.

In caring for the sick, attention should be given to their surroundings, for upon those depend, in great measure, the comfort and often the recovery of the patient.

First of all, the sickroom should be carefully selected, with a view to its location and size. These points become especially important, of course, if the sickness is serious or is likely to be of long duration.

The location of the room should depend somewhat upon the nature of the sickness. If the disease is contagious, the patient should be removed as far as possible from the other members of the family, and no one save the nurse and the physician should be permitted to attend upon or visit him. In such an event a room at the top of the house is best selected.

Whatever the nature of the illness, however, the sick-room should be on the sunny side of the house, quiet and easily ventilated.

It is of the very first importance that the air should be kept pure and free from unwholesome odors, and to accomplish this an unlimited supply of fresh, outdoor air is indispensable.

If the room is small, the opening of a window is almost sure to create a draught which will be felt by the patient or his attendant; but in a room of even moderate size one of the windows can be kept open at the top without causing discomfort or harm. This is one of the chief objections to a small sick-room; it cannot be properly ventilated, and the patient is compelled to breathe air which greatly hinders his recovery.

Another important matter in connection with the sick-room is its temperature. This should be subject to but little variation. There must, therefore, be some means of comfortably heating the room, in case it should be necessary, and the temperature should be regulated by controlling the heat supply rather than by closing the windows.

An open fireplace may be made to serve a double purpose; it can be utilized both as a means of heating and for ventilation. A fire in the grate heats the air in the flue and creates a strong draught, which draws the impure air of the room up the chimney.

If a fire is not needed, the fireplace can be made to serve simply as a means of ventilation by substituting for the fire a lighted lamp or gas-logs.

All unnecessary articles of furniture or ornament, which are likely to collect dust, are best removed from the sick-room, and care should be taken to keep it clean, orderly and cheerful.—Youth's Companion.

## DON'T EAT WHEN NOT HUNGRY

### A Practice That Is Sure to Bring Bad Results.

There is a good old maxim which runs as follows: "In time of peace prepare for war," and this is as true in connection with the question of diet in health as in other things. Too many people assume that because they enjoy fairly good health no improvement need be effected in their diet, but that this position is eminently untenable none who carefully consider the subject will deny. Those whose practice brings them into contact with the wealthier classes have frequently an opportunity of estimating the bad effects of improper diet. As regards the poor, they are unable to procure meat on account of their poverty, and, as a result, their diet is composed largely of carbohydrates. In the case of general sickness, or even without unfavorable climatic conditions, both classes seem to be unable to resist attacks of disease. It is for the most part the apparently healthy people who are so quickly stricken down by disease, while the chronic invalid may pass through unscathed, and yet no one seems to understand that conditions were present which predisposed the healthy man or woman to disease, and that the preexisting conditions were largely due to want of attention to diet. It would be well for those who feel so sure that they are in perfect health to consult a doctor for instructions how to avoid disease. One very common mistake is to eat when not hungry, simply because it is "meal time," an act not one whit less stupid than that of replenishing one's fire because one hears one's neighbor's coal scuttle rattling, regardless of the fact that there is plenty of coal already on, and that any addition thereto would be mischievous.—N. Y. Ledger.

### Bleaching Last Year's Hats.

There is so very little apparent difference between straw hats and bonnets of last season and those that are prepared for the coming summer that those that were in use last year might well be utilized again if they were restored to freshness by a little attention. A white straw, for instance, should be well brushed and the stiffening wire removed. Then wash it over with a white soap and cold water, dip in more clear water and allow it to dry in the air. When dry it should be sponged over with the white of an egg well beaten up; this will make the straw taut, and also complete the cleansing process. A large-brimmed hat should be left to dry upon a flat surface, otherwise the brim is liable to be bent out of its right shape. To bleach straw, wash and scrub it in soft water, and then put the article in a box together with a receptacle containing burning sulphur. The box must be covered to localize the fumes of the sulphur, which will be found a successful bleaching agent.—N. Y. Journal.

### Red in Favor.

Red will undoubtedly prove a very fashionable color this summer for hats entire, hat trimmings, whole gowns, figured or dotted in white, or dress accessories; cardinal, senorita, British, Turkish, carnation, jack rose, Danish lobelia, mephisto, lobster and tomato.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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### Married in Chicago.

There was a fashionable wedding at the Union Park Presbyterian church at Chicago Tuesday evening. The couple were Harvey Pickrell, son of Hon. J. H. Pickrell, of Springfield, formerly a farmer in Harristown township, and Miss Edith S. Munger, daughter of David S. Munger, of 86 Loomis street, Chicago. Fourteen young ladies sang Lohengrin for the wedding march and there were six bridesmaids and a maid of honor. George Fasfield, Jr., and M. J. Hardacre, of Springfield, were among the eight ushers. There were 300 people at the reception.

### Stewed Endive and Poached Eggs.

Trim away the outer green leaves from two or three heads of endive; wash well in several waters. Put the endive into a saucepan of boiling water, in which is some salt; boil for ten minutes to remove the bitter taste; then drain off and throw away this water, and place the endive for a few minutes in cold water. Next lift out of the cold water, and get as dry as possible by pressing it in a clean cloth. Chop finely. Put into a clean pan, with enough good gravy to cover, a lump of sugar, and salt to taste. Simmer till tender. Turn out on a hot dish. Place some neatly-poached and trimmed eggs on the top, and serve very hot.—Boston Globe.

### Going to Mackinaw.

The Grace M. E. Sunday school tarin on the P. D. & E. will leave for Mackinaw tomorrow at 7:30 and it promises to be a fine day for the outing. The tickets are 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children under 15 years. All are invite to go along and enjoy the picnic. There will be fishing and games.

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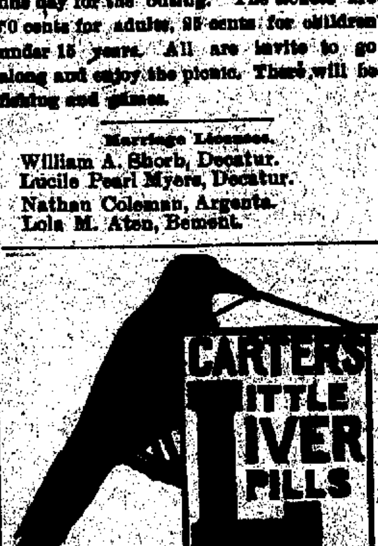

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## "DOT BISOOCLE."

### Some Sage Observations by Herr Pfannheimer.

Speaking of bisoocles, I haf gathered some superstootions vich I vill gif to der fraternity so dat dey may be varned by time in, alretty, yust like dese:

It is a sure sign of death by drownding if a veelman passes py an open draw pridge.

To be chased by a large, open-faced bulldog is a sure sign dot der veelmans vill got his goff soxings tored up by his legs on.

If you see a small boy buying a baper of tax it foretells a puncture py der near future in.

If a veelman pass a von-eyed man riding horsepack py a von-eared mool on und dot veelman doan'd say: "Squiddledevinklevinks" fempf times he vill meet up py an accident right avay qvick.

If your vife sends you py an errand ouid und you forget all abouid it und go by your veel for a spin on it it is a sign dot your dinner vill be cold for several two or t'ree days.

To sit down suddenly py der cold, cold ground onis a sign of disappointment und severe pains.

If you buy a bisoocle suit for zwei dollars und got caught by a rainstorm ouid it is a sure sign dot you vill hav to go home by a barrel in.

To ride any distance close py dot elevated roads under is a sign dot you vill got your bisoocle clothes unfit for publications.

To ride ofer a large hole py der street in is a sign dot somebody vill had to call der ambulance.

Make a vish ven you pass a load of empty barrels und it vill come true. If it doan'd yust hunt up dot man vot he own dem barrels und told him vot you t'inks of him alretty once.

If you stub your right toe und your left knee und der back of your head all py der same times it is a sure sign dot dem Adirondax mountains have stopped your veel from going any furder.

If you break a looking-glass vile ouid riding py your bisoocle on it is a sign dot you haf left der street and haf climbed py a furniture vagon inside, ain'd it?

If der lamp py your veel on goes ouid it is a sing dot you vill get py a conversations in mit a policemans.

To drop your veel und climb py a hurry up in under a barb vire fence is a sign dot a bull is chasing you.

To see der new moons py your right shoulders ofer is a sign of good luck, but ven you see der new moon und zwei million stars all py a heap in it is a sign dot your bisoocle have stopped suddenly und has fired you py a rock und your head on, ain'd it?

If a veelmans he is getting $15 a veek und he pays $100 cash for a bisoocle it is a sure sign dot he vill not go py der sea shores dis summer, vot you don'd t'inks?

Ven your sveetheart doan'd vant no more ices cream und says dot you should safe up your moneys und be economical it is a sure sign dot you vill haf to buy a tandems built for zwei right avay qvick purty soon.

If you pass a telegraft pole it is a sign dot you vill got home in time for supper.

It is a pad omen to haf your tire roadhouse in ven you are t'irsty.

It is unlucky to meet der coweatcher by an express train on ven you are going ofer a railroads crossing.

It is a bad omen to have your tire punctured by a meat ax.

It is unlucky to ride ofer a precipices

It is a sure sign dot dare is a field near py ven you run py a stone fence into.—N. Y. World.

## HE WAS NEW.

### In the Harness, But Didn't Propose to Give It Away.

When a young man marries and opens up a home, one of his chief desires is to appear master of the situation and as much like a veteran as possible. Blueton, who would be widely known by his real name, is a new benedict, and just "settled." Here is a sample selected from his almost continuous conversation at the telephone.

"Send me up a pound of carpet tacks. Number? I don't know anything about the number of tacks in a pound. All you've got to do is to fill my order. And say, send me half a peck of nails. Tenpennies? I'm not asking the price, am I? Yes, half a peck, that's what I said Now I want a saw. Don't you know your business? This is a private residence; Mr. Blueton's residence. It's no lumber mill. I don't want any buzz saw or gang saw. Throw in a hammer and a hatchet and a step ladder; and say, I want a good strong stove leg. We broke one in moving. None of your business who made the stove. All you've got to do is to send up a leg."

After swearing for a few minutes, Blueton was rattling away at the grocery: "Three pounds of steak. What kind? Beefsteak, of course. We're not eating horse steak or sheep steak at our house. Three yards of sausage. Never mind, now, how other people buy it. I always buy by the yard. A gallon of coffee, two dozen frying onions, half a bushel of oranges—yes, half a bushel. Now whose make of canned goods do you handle? All right, send us a couple of cases of selected, a quarter of a section of cheese, half a bale of lettuce, two of those cigar-shaped loaves of bread, a pail of butter and a sack of sugar. Yes, just a regulation sack, you know. And, hold on, put in a basket of spring eggs. This spring's. Good-by." — Detroit Free Press.

### Three Was a Crowd.

Hostess (entertaining two lady friends, to herself)—Oh, dear, I do wish one would go—I have so much to tell either of them about the other!—Tit-Bits.

—According to the most delicate experiments of the most favored scientists the heat of the lunar rays which reach the earth is scarcely the twelve millionth of a degree.

## ABYSSINIAN ART CRITICS.

### A "Last Judgment" for Menelik with Friends and Foes Distributed.

As the Egyptians, Etruscans and Greeks were artistic, so, it seems, are the Abyssinians. As is known, a great organ has been ordered from Berlin for the cathedral of Adis Abeba, the residence of Emperor Menelik, and a celebrated Russian painter, Vladiscow, is going there to paint the Negus as he appeared at the battle of Adowa. The cathedral of Adis Abeba is composed of two churches, one inside the other. The outside one is open to all the faithful, while the inner is reserved for the sacred person of the Negus and his family. Emperor Menelik, it seems, has an artistic fancy. He wished the outer walls of the inner church to be decorated with religious pictures, and ordered, under the first Crispi cabinet, the pictures in Italy, sending the measures of the walls and the windows which break them. The Italian government received the order with great pleasure, and commissioned several artists to paint the pictures, which were almost finished when Ras Makonnen came to Italy as ambassador extraordinary. At Turin he saw the pictures, but they did not please him, the artists having given them the appearance of tapestry, and they were forthwith refused.

The commission was again given, this time to artists in Rome. Ras Makonnen called to examine the sketches, approved them on the whole, but suggested certain changes. The interpreter was embarrassed for words to convey the exact idea, and the Ras, waxing impatient, seized a piece of charcoal, and, stooping, drew the design he wanted on the tile floor in a primitive, but thoroughly intelligible manner. The pictures were soon finished. One represented a kind of universal judgment; in Paradise are King Humbert, Queen Margherita, Emperor Menelik, Signor Crispi, Count Antonelli, who had been Italian representative to Shoa, the Ras Makonnen himself, etc., while in inferno stand Ras Alula, Ras Mangascia and others. The canvases were sent, and now, after Adowa, one would much like to know if the above-mentioned personages retain their respective positions in Paradise and inferno, and when the £1,600 for them will be paid.—Pall Mall Gazette.

## THE "SUMMER BUTTERFLY."

### Small Tradesmen Who Turn Cabmen in London.

I wonder if you know what a "summer butterfly" is? If you were skilled in the ways of the cabby you would know that it is the small tradesmen who turn cabmen during the season, returning to their legitimate occupation when autumn sets in. "Butterflies" are being gradually weeded out by the police, and a man is allowed to take out a cab-driver's license only when he can prove that he is what he represents himself to be. A cabman's earnings greatly depend, I may say, on luck; accordingly, the weekly wage may range from as low as ten shillings to as high as two pounds at certain seasons. The hours, as you know, are exceedingly long. Supposing a man turns out at ten a. m.; he drives the same horse from six to seven hours, and then, changing horses, goes on till three o'clock in the morning. There is not much difference between hansom-cab drivers and the four-wheel men as the public seem to imagine. Not infrequently drivers change and change about; thus a four-wheeler who feels that the moving of heavy boxes is past his strength will take a hansom; or, again, the hansom cabby who finds that his exposed position brings on rheumatism and kindred ills, will change in favor of the more jog-trot vehicle. There is scarcely a well-known cab-driver in London but has his own special appellation generally given to him in view of some physical or mental peculiarity. Some idea of the literary attainments and wide knowledge of cabby can be given you by the fact that among the nicknames may be found "Trilby," "Lord Randolph Churchill," "Flop the Beadle," "Ulster Jack," "Sweet Apple Joe," "Busy Bee," "Garibaldi," "Nicodemus" and "Four-in-Hand." Not infrequently the men are known to one another only by their pseudonyms.—London Sketch.

### Early Man in Europe.

Judging from skeletons found in Europe, paleolithic man was short of stature and had a low retreating forehead; it is supposed that he had a yellowish skin, which was covered with coarse hair much like the ainu of Yezo. He was strong in body, but he had the diminutive mind of a child. Wild and fierce, he knew little of pity or of love; he was lower in savagery than any we know, but he bore the germs of a better race; he was only a hunter, living on the animals he had slain and the roots and nuts he could gather. At war with his neighbor and at war with himself, his life was racked with fears and torments, and his mind filled with debasing superstitions, which civilization has hardly yet wholly eliminated. —Harvey B. Bashore, in Lippincott's.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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Priscilla (just arrived)—Are there any men here?

Phyllis—Oh, there are a few apologies for men.

Priscilla—Well, if an apology is offered to me I shall accept it.—Tit-Bits.

### He Knew.

"Remember, my friend," said the pastor to his lazy neighbor, "it's the early bird that catches the worm."

"Yes, I know," replied the lazy man; "that's why I dig my bait at night."—Cincinnati Tribune.

### Indisputable Proof.

Jobson—You say you are an expert in murder cases. Have you any certain means of discovering whether or not a murderer is insane?

Dr. Gripem—Yes, sir; if he engages me.—N. Y. World.

### The Same Old Chestnut.

The fishing season's now at hand,
The finny tribe abounds.
The same old lie we heard last year
Will once more go the rounds.
—Baltimore World.

### A LAND OF PROMISE.

Tired Timothy—I'm going to de tropics, Lawrence. Food grows dere on trees—cocoanuts and such.

Lazy Lawrence—Don't yer have to climb de trees?

Tired Timothy—Naw. De monkeys trows de nuts down at yer.

Lazy Lawrence—Well, don't you have to crack de nuts?

Tired Timothy—Naw; go on! Dey cracks when dey hits yer.—N. Y. Truth.

### Some Needed Reforms.

The horse's woes, unspoken,
Might happily be mended,
If all the whips were broken,
And all the roads were mended.
—L. A. W. Bulletin.

### She Knew How to Please.

"Did you divide your bonbons with your little brother, Mollie?"

"Yes, ma; I ate the candy and gave him the mottoes; you know he is awfully fond of reading."—Pick-Me-Up.

### Understood Her.

She—That little fool, Johnnie Moore, has proposed to me.

Her [illegible]—when will the wedding take place?—[illegible] Life.

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The Burlington Route Limited Express train which leaves Chicago daily at 6:30 p. m. for St. Paul and Minneapolis is without question the most beautiful, luxurious train ever seen. It consists of Pullman Compartment and Standard Sleeping Cars, Pullman Buffet Smoking Car, Burlington Route Dining Car a la carte, Reclining Chair Cars and Coach, all lighted by electricity and heated by steam. June 10-d2w

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So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had lung trouble, following typhoid malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying: "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. At West's drug store.

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June 5-to Oct 28

Sunday Trains.

Beginning Sunday, May 30th, the P., D. & E. Railway will put on their Sunday trains. Train No. 42 will leave Decatur at 3:30 p. m. for all points north and northwest, making good connections at Peoria. Train No. 41 leaves Decatur at 11:30 a. m. for all points south and southeast, making good connections at Evansville with the L. & N. [illegible] and other points [illegible]. [illegible] to spend a day outing or with friends to do so. For further information apply to

T. PENWELL, Ticket Agent,
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$94.00 from Decatur to San Francisco and Los Angeles. $34.00 from San Francisco and Los Angeles to Decatur. This is on account of the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held at San Francisco July 7—12. Tickets will be sold June 29, 30, and July 1, 2 and 3. The C., B. & Q. has been selected as the official route from Illinois and will run through sleepers from Peoria to San Francisco June 29, with stop over privileges at Denver and points west of Denver. Go with the crowd and be happy. Secure reservations at once before it is too late. For full information or reservations call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Penwell, 121 East William street.

Fourth of July Rates.

For the Fourth of July the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will sell tickets at rate of One Fare for the Round Trip between all points on its own line and within a distance of 200 miles to points on connecting lines. Tickets will be sold on the 2d, 3d and 4th, good returning up to and including the 5th. 15-dtd

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On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will resume the Sunday trains. Train No. 42 going north will pass Decatur at 3:30 p. m. Train No. 41 going south will pass at 11:30 a. m.

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## THE SPELLING CLASS.

### Great Boyish Achievements in School Recalled by a Middle-Aged Man.

"Our views as to what constitutes great achievements," said the middle-aged man, vary with our years. I well remember the time when I looked upon the boys who could spell such words as 'immateriality' and 'incompatibility' without mistake, and wonder.

"As the words in the spelling book increased in number of syllables there were fewer and fewer words to the lesson. There might be in the two-syllabled words lessons whose columns of words reached half or three-quarters of the way down the page, and with five or six columns across the page. Those seven and eight-syllabled words were in short lessons, only seven or eight words deep, and only two or three columns across the page. But, short as they were, these short, compact blocks of words of many syllables presented to the younger boys, who occasionally looked forward in the spelling book at them, difficulties that seemed absolutely insurmountable, and when the youngsters heard the older boys spell these words out on exhibition days at the close of a term, or on days when the trustees paid the school a visit, why it seemed the highest imaginable achievement.

"This highest class, few in number, like the long words in the book, would be ranged in a row in front of the seats, between the seats and the teacher's platform, upon which sat the trustees. This spelling was the culmination of the exercises, and the whole school was interested, and everyone was anxious that the class should acquit itself creditably, and the younger pupils like myself believed that the trustees must be greatly impressed.

"'Immateriality,' comes from the teacher, standing book in hand at one end of the platform, to the head of the class, who repeats the word and proceeds to spell it:

"'Immateriality. I-m, im, m-a, ma, im-ma, t-e, te, im-ma-te r-i ri, immateri, a-l, im-ma-te-ri-al, i, im-ma-te-ri-al-i, t-y ty, immateriality.'

"He is prompt and confident from start to finish, but the whole school follows him breathlessly and feels easier when he has finished.

"'Indestructibility,' says the teacher, looking at the next boy, and he repeats it and goes on with it confidently:

"'Indestructibility. I-n in, d-e de, in-de, s-t-r-u-c struc, indestruc, t-i ti, in-de-struc-ti, b-i-l, bil, in-de-struc-ti-bil, i, in-de-struc-ti-bil-i-, t-y ty, indestructibility.'

"And so it rattles along, everyone prompt and correct until the teacher gives out one of the long words to a timid, shy little fellow who is fairly overcome by the presence of the trustees and the general solemnity and high tension of the whole occasion. He flounders and flounders over it hopelessly, with a faint and shrinking voice. The teacher repeats the word, enunciating the syllables separately, with an almost painful distinctness, to impress them upon the little chap's mind, but he only flounders the more. One of the trustees looks stern, and the other two look kind and sympathetic and presently the stern man comes around, too, but the youngster breaks down utterly, and the teacher gives the word to the next boy. That boy doesn't realize at all the timid terror of the boy who has just failed; he isn't that kind of a boy, and he rattles the word off boldly and glibly. And so it goes round and round, till the words of the lesson are all given out. The little chap who failed the first time comes up valiantly the second time, and spells his word promptly and correctly, whereat all the trustees, the stern one included, smile encouragingly.

"From first to last, half a dozen or more words are bungled by one boy and another, but still the school feels that the class has done very well, and as for me, being a small boy and only as far as the two-syllabled words, I go home to tell my folks of the wonderful deeds performed that day by So-and-so of our school in the spelling examination, and of the particularly tremendous feat of Wiggles, the smallest boy in the class, who never missed a word."—N. Y. Sun.

## TO FLATTER A FOOL.

### Tell Him That He Can Read Human Nature.

"Sylvia," said Jack, as soon as they were comfortably seated in the theater, "something was worrying you dreadfully this evening while we were on our way here."

"Why, no, there wasn't, Jack."

"I know you thought it was too dark in the carriage for me to see your face, but it wasn't, for I could distinctly discern every lineament of your countenance."

"Why, Jack, I didn't think anything about it."

"Confess, Sylvia, that something was worrying you. I have always prided myself on my ability to read faces, and you know that I am a too efficient reader of human nature to be deceived."

"Yes, I know, Jack; but in this instance you are mistaken."

"Why, Sylvia, how can you say so? I observed you the whole time we were in the carriage, and you were biting your lips every foot of the way here."

"Why—er—I—"

"Come, own up that you were worried about something."

"But I wasn't, Jack."

"Then, why did you bite your lips?"

"Why—er—will you promise me faithfully that you will never repeat it to anyone, if I do tell you?"

"I swear it!"

And as Jack inclined his big, curly head in her direction that he might the better catch her words, he heard her say, in soft and tremulous tones, as her sweet, warm breath fanned his cheek:

"I did it to make my lips red, Jack. Are you angry?"—Harlem Life.

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Henry Lower's brick business building in Minier has been bought by J. M. Hart for $2000 This firm will renovate it and occupy it soon. Mr. Hart will erect another building adjoining it and just like it.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Prof. W. C. Hobson, who was re-elected principal of the Greenview schools, has resigned to accept the superintendency of the schools at Mattoon.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The governor has signed the bill appropriating $96,509 for a new cell house at the reformatory at Pontiac, and the building will be commenced at once.

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Mr. G. A. Stillson, a merchant of Tampico, Ill., writes August 10th, 1891: "Foley's Kidney Cure is meeting with wonderful success. It has cured some cases here that physicians pronounced incurable. I myself am able to testify to its merits. My face to-day is a living picture of health, and Foley's Kidney Cure has made it such. I had suffered twenty-seven years with the disease, and to-day I feel ten years younger than I did one year ago. I can obtain some wonderful certificates of its medical qualities." H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

At Mahomet John Carter, Jr., killed 700 rats in three hours under an old corn crib. He was assisted by several dogs and two men.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Ed Moschel, of Morton, has been engaged by Charles May to run the Advocate while Mr. May is recuperating from a crushed foot.

**A White Mark.**

Foley's Kidney Cure is a perfectly reliable preparation for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. The proprietors of this Great Medicine guarantee it or the money refunded. Do they not deserve a white mark? H. W. Bell, N. L. Kronee

W. F. Jones, who lives near Parnell, sold 88 head of fat hogs of his own raising last week at $3.15.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The contract for the new iron bridge over Sugar Creek, south of Pekin, has been let for $1075 to a Springfield firm.

**When You Take Your Vacation**

the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by a change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Isaac Peters, living west of Homer, has a 2-year-old Jersey heifer from whose milk his wife makes 10 pounds of butter each week.

**Penny Wise and Pound Foolish**

are they who have not Foley's Colic Cure as a safeguard in the family. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A Clinton grocer bought the entire product of fifteen acres of strawberries in the southern part of the state.

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The laying of the corner stone of the new court house at Eureka will be in charge of the Masonic order.

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F. C. Moss, of Lincoln, was appointed master in chancery by Judge Herdman to succeed James E. Miller.

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The Dwight cycling club will have a big day of races on the 22d. Six races will be open to the world.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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## FURS IN RUSSIA.

### The Wearing of Skins Called "Cold Furs."

Russians style many of the fur wraps worn by American women "cold furs," which seems almost a contradiction. Generally the donning of furs in America means that the wearer need not fear the coldest blast, but it is quite different in Russia. It has been said that the first thing that an American woman has to do when she reaches Russia is to reconstruct her ideas on the subject of furs. Her beloved sealskin goes far down on the list. It is one of the "cold furs" that no Russian woman would care to wear as a lining—and it is as linings that all furs are worn—because it is too tender. The only thing it is good for is a jacket to be worn between seasons, and then it must be used entirely for walking. A woman who sets out on foot in that garb must surely return on foot, for if she took a carriage or sledge she would be running a serious risk. The pretty squirrel skin is reckoned among the "cold," cheap furs, and is given up to the unfashionable world, while the mink, also a "cold" fur, though expensive enough, is used by men only, just as is the pretty mottled skin obtained by piecing sable paws together.

The proper furs for the climate are the "downy" furs that, beginning at the brown goat go all the way up to that climax of beauty and luxury, the black fox, or the silver fox, soft and delicate as feathers and warm as a July day. The kuni is a fur that was used by royalty in the olden time, and was the unit of currency. It is costly when dark, and has a tough, light-weight skin, which is an essentail in all furs that are to be used for large cloaks. Sables, rich and dark, are worn like the kuni, by anyone who can afford them—court dames, chevaliers, archbishops and merchants with their wives and daughters. Cloth or velvet is the proper covering for all furs, and the colors worn for driving are often light and gay.

Clothed in these furs the Russian seldom takes cold. Few Russians wear flannels. The houses are kept delightfully warm and at places of entertainment no extra clothing could be borne. No Russian enters a room, theater or public hall at any season of the year without removing his cloak and overshoes, and no well-trained servant would allow an ignorant foreigner to trifle with his health by so doing. The foreign churches are provided with cloakrooms and attendants. In the Russian churches this would not be practicable, as so many are coming and going, but even here some of the richer people keep a lackey to hold their cloaks just inside the entrance.—Chicago Chronicle.

## SHUTTING OUT THE SEA.

### Futile Attempts Made Along the Jersey Coast.

Along the north Jersey coast from Long Branch to Asbury Park the coast is formed of bluffs and high ground, and walls that will offer direct resistance to the waves must be constructed to protect them from the waves. These bluffs are being washed away rapidly where not protected by some artificial device and the sand is carried back into the sea, where sandbars are formed with it. Many years ago, when the Jersey seaside resorts first became prominent, efforts were made to protect this shore with heavy timber bulkheads. But each recurring winter these massive timbers were washed away and a good slice of the bluffs was leveled. No matter how heavy and strong this sort of protection is made, the sea is pretty sure to batter it down in time, and the work must be repeated. For 15 years now property owners have wasted their money in building makeshift timber walls to protect their land from the ocean along many parts of our coast. The same amount of money put in strong walls of masonry and concrete would yield permanent results that would endure for half a century, and in time this must be the outcome of the present abortive attempts to keep back the sea.

Besides wooden walls, numerous jetties run out into the ocean to break the force of the current, and in this way the damage to the bluffs is somewhat lessened. Nearly every storm of any great fury not only carries away or demolishes part of the walls, but makes great inroads into the bluffs of sand behind them. A solid stone wall with sloping faces to the sea would protect the bluffs so that private and public property would be secure for all time. The best illustrations of this principle of coast defense can be seen in the numerous stone breakwaters constructed by the government for harbor protection.—Lippincott's.

### The Phoebe Bird.

Familiar among our common feathered friends is the peewee, or phoebe bird, so-called from its charming note. It is a small bird, the sides and breast and upper parts of which are a dull olive brown, and the top and sides of the head a darker brown; the lower parts are of a yellowish white. Its eggs are a white which is almost a pink, so delicate is their color. It likes the barns and the vicinity of man, but has also a weakness for the water, and its nest is often made somewhere about a bridge. The world could not be quite so good as it is without the phoebe bird.—Stanley Waterloo, in Paola (Ill.) Republican.

### Following Paternal Advice.

"Why on earth did you marry that grass widow?" demanded Mr. Ricketts, angrily, of his son.

"It was in following your own advice, father."

"Following my advice, you idiot! I never advised you to marry her."

"No, but you always told me to make hay while the sun shone."—Detroit Free Press.

### Too Watery.

Billjack (in swimming)—I always feel at home in the water.

Col. Kentuck—I don't. I feel as if I were visiting my wife's relatives.—Philadelphia Press.

### How He Arranged It.

"Yes," said the great author, when the question was put to him, "I do practically all my work on the typewriter. I find it a great help."

"But can you compose as well with the machine as with a pen?" inquired the interviewer.

"Quite as well, and the execution is much better."

"Didn't it interfere very materially with your literary work when you were learning to use it?" persisted the interviewer.

"Not at all," answered the great author. "To be sure, I hit the wrong keys and made what seemed to be considerable of a mess of two or three of my stories, but I sent them to my publisher just as they were and they made my reputation as a dialect writer."—Chicago Post.

### A Sure Sign.

Her Brother—Awfully bad news, sister.

The sister—What?

Her Brother—That count of yours is a bogus one.

The Sister—How did you find that out?

Her Brother—I was telling him today how hard up I was, and he actually offered to lend me $100.—Syracuse Post.

### Reflected on His Beauty.

"Oi did not mind the threats av 'im," Mr. Hogan explained, "as much as th' insultin' sthyle av his remarks."

"And fwhat did he say?" asked Mr. Grogan.

"He says to me, 'Hogan,' says he, 'it is the great notion I have to jump on you and knock your face into shape.'"—Indianapolis Journal.

### Papa Was Not at Home.

Caller—Is your father at home?

Little Daughter—What is your name, please?

Caller—Just tell him it is his old friend, Bill.

Little Daughter—Then I guess he ain't at home. I heard him tell mamma if any bill came he wasn't at home.—Tit-Bits.

### Her Candid Opinion.

He—My dear, do you know your constant gum chewing will make wrinkles?

She—John Henry, you know you don't care whether it hurts my looks or not. All you are thinking of is the wrinkles it makes in your pocketbook!—Chicago Tribune.

### The Revised Version.

"What is your new painting called?"

"'The Gleaner.'"

"Ah, a young girl with a sickle and a bundle of grain?"

"No; an elderly girl with a flat pocketbook and an armful of bargain dry goods."—Chicago Record.

### And Was Gratified.

A—B is like Micawber, waiting for something to turn up.

C—Yes, and he was rewarded yesterday.

A—How so?

C—He stepped on the edge of a barrel hoop.—Philadelphia Press.

### An Eye to Business.

Headmaster (addressing the class)—How simple and yet how sublime is the beautiful and detailed description which Pliny the younger gives us of the house in which he lived!

Smart Pupil (aside)—Most likely he wanted to sell it!—Tit-Bits.

### Not Rich Enough.

"So her father accused you of being a fortune hunter?"

"Yes."

"What did you say?"

"I told him he flattered himself."—Chicago Journal.

### Explained.

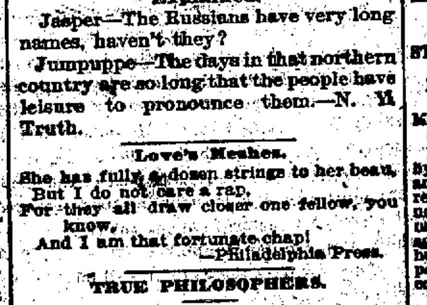
Jasper—The Russians have very long names, haven't they?

Jumpuppe—The days in that northern country are so long that the people have leisure to pronounce them.—N. Y. Truth.

### Love's Meshes.

She has fully a dozen strings to her beau,
But I do not care a rap,
For they all draw closer one fellow, you know,
And I am that fortunate chap!
—Philadelphia Press.

### TRUE PHILOSOPHERS.



Carolus Golightly—De farmer plows de earth.

Algernon Slow—Yes, and we do de rest.—Detroit Free Press.

### One or the Other.

The man who sits him down to read
The modern Sunday paper through
Has either got a job on hand,
Or else he hasn't much to do.
—N. Y. Truth.

### On His Guard.

"What made that tourist have two policemen come in here with him?" asked the proprietor of the cut-rate ticket office.

"Somebody outside told him that you were a scalper."—Detroit Free Press.

### Ought to Be.

"There is one thing about me; I am not afraid to say just what I think."

"Of course you are not afraid, but you ought to be ashamed."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Farmer City firm shipped 4000 pounds of poultry last week.

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Apr 29-dtf

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Homeopathist and Surgeon,
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Jan. 12-dtf

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{ Res., 218. | N. Edward St

**B. I. STERRETT**
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
OFFICE—Over Bryan' Clothing Store, Decatur

**DR. L. H. CLARK,**
Room 30, Arcade Office Building.
Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m.
Telephone—Residence, 264; Office, 365.
Residence—565 West North St.

### I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21 to 24.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct 31st.

Warsaw, Ind., account Winona Assembly, May 15 to August 31.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 18th to 31st.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 26th to August 15th.

Indianapolis Ind., account Y. P. C. Union. Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till August 24th.

Coleron, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua) account meeting Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 16th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account Young People's Christian Union Universalist church. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to July 14th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 12th and 13th, Good returning till July 16th.

Pittsburg, Pa., account Junior Order United American Mechanics, National Council. One fare round trip. Tickets sold June 12th, 13th and 14th; good returning till June 21.

Niagara Falls—Only $6.50, Sell July 8th; good returning to leave the Falls not later than July 12th.

Cincinnati, O., account German Epworth League, July 21st and 22d.

Harvest Excursion tickets will be sold to all points in the west and southwest June 15th, at one fare plus $2 for round trip, limited to 21 days.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent, I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

## Attachment Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Macon Canning Co. vs. S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter—Attachment No. 16,282.

Public notice is hereby given that it appears by an affidavit filed in said cause that the defendants S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter are not residents of this state, and they are hereby notified that the Macon Canning Co. above named has commenced suit in attachment against the said defendants for the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) and that the same is now pending before the Circuit Court of Macon county.

Now, unless the said defendants, S. M. Christensen and E. H. Porter, shall appear, give bail and plead within the time limited for their appearance in said cause, to-wit: Within ten days after the last publication of this notice being on the 28th day of June, 1897, judgment will be entered, and the estate of said defendants attached, will be sold and that the estate attached is twenty (20) shares of the stock of the Macon Canning company and the east half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) and three and thirty-nine-hundredths (3 39-100) acres off of the west side of the northeast quarter (¼) of Section five (5), Town fourteen (14) North, Range Three (3) East of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.

D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.

May 27-d3w

## ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

Toronto, Ont., July 15-18, Epworth League National Convention. Tickets sold July 13th, 14th and 15th, good returning to and including July 24th, with the privilege of an extension of time to leave Toronto on or before August 12th, provided ticket is deposited with the agent of Terminal line at Toronto prior to July 24th. Tickets to permit stop over in Canada within authorized limit, except that tickets extended for return beyond July 24th shall be available only for continuous return passage. One fare for the round trip.

Coleron (Lake Chautauqua) N. Y., July 13 to 20. Tickets sold July 11 and 12, with final return limit of July 20. One fare round trip.

Detroit, Mich., July 6-12. Tickets sold July 5 and 6, good to return to and including July 14th. One fare round trip.

Annual meeting National Educational Association at Milwaukee, Wis., July 6 to 9. Tickets sold on July 3d, 4th and 5th. Tickets limited to return on July 10, 11 or 12, 1897, only. Extension of time may be had if tickets are deposited with Joint Agent at Milwaukee on or before July 12, 1897, and paying 50 cents at time of deposit. Extension tickets good leaving Milwaukee on any date up to and including August 31, 1897, but passengers must leave Milwaukee on first train after ticket is taken out of hands of Joint agent. Rate from Decatur $9.00 round trip.

Tickets on sale at Union Depot or City Office 121 East William street.

## Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Stella C. Kidder, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Stella C. Kidder, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1897.

CARRIE E. KRAFT,
Administratrix.

June 3-d3w

## People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

### For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

### WANTED.

BIDS WANTED—I will receive bids up to noon on July 1, 1897, for the boiler in the annex to the county jail. Bids must be sealed and made on the boiler as it is now placed in the annex. Address W. H. SPENCE, Chairman of County Board Committee on Public Buildings, Riverside Place, Decatur, Ill. June 14-d6*

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

### FOR SALE!

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets, East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1730 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

### FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—On July 1st, the elegant modern house at corner of North Edward and Marietta streets. Gas, furnace, city water, stable, etc.

ALSO, a six-room house on North College street. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 15-d2w

FOR RENT—Unfurnished rooms at 543 North Main street. Inquire on premises. June 14-d6*

TO RENT—Cheap, one four-room and one six-room house; Solace Place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade. April 17-dtf

### MONEY TO LOAN.

**LOANS...**
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MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Ehrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. July 7-d1m

### MISCELLANEOUS.

**The Decatur Rubber Stamp Works.** If you need a Name Stamp, a Book Mark, a Business Stamp of any kind, or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, place your order with J. M. MYERS, 301 S. Church St., Decatur, Ill. Old Telephone 38.

AUTOHARP TEACHER.—Wanted—Prof. F. K. Hullihen desires to organize a class for instructions on the Autoharp. I use my own copyrighted method and can safely guarantee you to perform nicely in two short lessons. No money required in advance. Free concert at Lutz' music store Saturday evening at 7 p. m. Will call at your homes by request. Leave address at the store. Residence 151 West Main street. June 10-d6

STOLEN—On June 4, a Waverly Belle, No. 27,191; 28-inch wheel, G. & J. clincher tire, ladies' wheel. Taken from in front of Bohon's store. Information as to the wheel and thief will be gratefully received by P. Kilkeary, 944 East Eldorado street. 4-dtf

MADAME A. ROBINSON, clairvoyant and trance medium, tells the past, present and future, gives free tests from 12:30 to 2 o'clock at rear 520 Spring Avenue. Guarantees satisfaction. 2-d6*

A GOOD CHANCE to trade your Nebraska land for good Decatur lots. Call on Clark & Schroll, Room 22 Arcade. Apr 17-dtf

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made, $1.50 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuracy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. [illegible] d&wtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILLS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet, see H. Watts, or 1712 E. Prairie street. [illegible]

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrance; make bargain them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 15-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, sizes. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-d6

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. June [illegible]

RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Centralanie Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 26-dtf

**HORSES and COWS** wanted in exchange for Vehicles and Harness. We will allow cash prices and trade merchandise on the same basis. J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square. June 16-dtf

### Macon County Teachers' Examinations, 1896-7.

1. First Saturday in February.
2. First Saturday in April.
3. [illegible]
4. [illegible]
5. First [illegible] of [illegible].

Examinations will begin promptly at 8 a. m.

Office day, [illegible]

JOHN S. KELLER Co. Supt.,
Decatur, Illinois.

Oct 18-wly

## Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY. }

In the County Court, August Term, 1896.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased. DeWitt C. Corley, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased vs. Mary S. Kirk, O. T. Kirk, Cecelia A. Christian, John Christian, Fred Norman, Henry Shlaudeman, John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools of Macon county, Illinois, Ann M. Cummings, Hiram Johnson, James Millikin, Orville B. Gorin, surviving partners of the firm of J. Millikin & Co., R. J. Roberts, W. L. Johnson, William J. Pegram, William Cosel, and James E. Osborne.—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree in the above entitled cause entered at the August term thereof A. D. 1896, and modified as to terms of sale at the May term, 1897, the undersigned administrator will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day at the north door of the Court House in Decatur, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot eighteen in J. K. Warren & Co.'s Sixth addition to the City of Decatur; also lots four, five and six in Martin Forstmeyer's resurvey of block "A" in Martin Forstmeyer's addition to the city of Decatur; also lot thirteen in block fourteen in Railroad addition to the village of Macon; all of said premises being situated in Macon county and state of Illinois.

The terms of said sale will be cash in hand on the day of sale.

Abstracts of title to said premises can be seen at the office of the undersigned at 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.

DeWITT C. CORLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased.

May 26-d 4 w

## Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY, }

George Webbinger, Complainant, vs. Otto E. Webber et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15666.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

**Saturday, the 19th day of June, 1897,**

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots five (5) and six (6) in Block two (2) of Railroad Addition to the City of Maroa, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of May, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. T. Cussins, Complainant's Solicitor.
May 21-dtd

## Administrator's Sale.

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of David Garver, deceased, will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell at public sale at the north front door of the Court House in the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, the following personal property, goods and chattels belonging to the estate of said deceased: One gold watch, one bed spring, two rocking chairs, one feather bed, two pillows, one chest, one accessory, one box containing a syringe, etc., one chest No. 2 and contents, one saw, one gasoline stove, one buggy jack, one brown mare.

Terms of sale—All sums of $5 or less shall be paid in cash on day of sale; all sums in excess of $5, cash in hand or a credit of six months at the option of the purchaser, the purchaser to give note with approved security with interest at 7 per cent. per annum from date until paid upon all deferred payments. No property to be removed until the terms of said sale are complied with.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.

JEROME R. GORIN,
May 27-d 4 w Administrator.

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of John P. Auer, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of John P. Auer, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1897.

JOHN G. AUER, Administrator.

June 8-d3w*

## ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

Winter Tourist Rates are now on to points south and southwest.

Settlers' Half Fare rates to points south every 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.

Take the new Daylight Special for Chicago and St. Louis—Solid Daily train.

City Ticket Office removed from 110 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. Telephone, New No. 28, Old No. 480. Union Depot Telephone No. 47, New.

### Homeseekers' Excursions.

At the low rate of One Fare for the Round Trip, plus $2.00, to certain points South from stations on Illinois Central west of Iowa Falls, Iowa, inclusive, on Mondays, May 31st and June 14th. East of Iowa Falls and north of Cairo, Ill., one day later, viz.: Tuesdays, June 1st and 15th.

For a copy of the Southern Homeseekers' Guide, describing the agricultural advantages of the country traversed by the Illinois Central and the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroads, address, at Manchester, Iowa, J. F. Merry, Assistant General Passenger Agent. For information in regard to Railroad Lands in Southern Illinois and in the famous Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi, address at Chicago, E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R.

Tickets and full information concerning all of the above can be had of agents of the Illinois Central and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass'r Agent, Chicago.

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Clarissa Devore, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Clarissa Devore, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the [illegible] all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 14th day of June, 1897.

ALBERT E. COPE, Administrator.

June 14-d3w

## Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of H. Clay Depew, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of H. Clay Depew, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 3d day of June, 1897.

NETTIE M. DEPEW, Administratrix.

June 3—d3w

PATENTS [illegible]

## Railroad Column

### R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to May 16, 1897.]

Wabash Line

| TO CHICAGO. | FROM CHICAGO. |
|---|---|
| 12........* 1:05 a m | 13........* 3:50 a m |
| 14........*11:45 a m | 15........* 5:35 p m |
| 16........† 5:35 a m | 17........† 7:35 p m |
| TO ST. LOUIS. | FROM ST. LOUIS. |
| 9........* 3:40 a m | 6........*[illegible] a m |
| 11........* 4:25 a m | 4........*11:[illegible] a m |
| 5........† 4:05 p m | 14........*11:45 a m |
| 15........* 4:[illegible] p m | 16........† 8:05 p m |
| 1........*12:[illegible] a m | 2........*11:17 p m |
| 7........* 7:20 p m | 12........*12:[illegible] a m |
|  | 32 Sun. only.. 10:00 p m |
| * TO TOLEDO. | FROM TOLEDO. |
| 6........* 6:[illegible] a m | 1........*12:10 p m |
| 4........†11:30 a m | 7........* 7:17 p m |
| 2........*11:30 p m | 5........† 3:[illegible] p m |
| 32 Laf-acom. †4:41 p m | 3........* 6:[illegible] a m |
| 12 Dan. " †8:45 a m | 11........†10:07 a m |
| TO QUINCY. | FROM QUINCY. |
| 5........* 4:07 p m | 4........*11:20 a m |
| 3........* 5:40 a m | 2........*10:00 p m |
| 12 Spfd only† 7:40 p m | 16 from Spfg.† 8:42 a m |
| 11 Spfd acom†10:11 a m | 10 Effg. acom.† 4:37 p m |

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

### Vandalia Line.

In effect May 16, 1897.
Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.

No. 5, Ex. Sun. 10:00 a. m........For Peoria
No. 21, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m........For Peoria

FOR THE EAST.

No. 2, Ex., Sun., 1:15 p. m......For Terre Haute
No. 12, Ex. Sun. 7:40 a. m......For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc. address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

### Illinois Central.

| NORTH. | SOUTH. |
|---|---|
| Diamond Special, daily........1:[illegible] a m | Diamond Special, daily........[illegible] a m |
| No. 104, daily 11:[illegible] a m | No. 1[illegible] pass. ex. Sunday ..... 9:[illegible] a m |
| No. 128 freight ex. Sunday.....3:00 p m | No. 129 freight ex. Sunday.....10:10 a m |
| No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday......[illegible]:11 p m | No. 1[illegible], daily, [illegible] p m |
| No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves ex. Sunday.......[illegible] p m | No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday.......10:15 a m |
| No. 704—to Chicago via Champa'n daily 7:10 a m | No. 703—From Chicago, daily 7:[illegible] p m |
| No. 120 daily to Chicago.......11:[illegible] a m | No. 1[illegible] daily, to St. Louis..... [illegible] p m |

### Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

| Arrive from Peoria | Arrive from Evansville |
|---|---|
| A No. 1......10:42 a. m. | A No. 2........3:41 p. m |
| D No. 3......10:15 p. m. | A No. 4........8:15 a. m |
| A No. 11......3:50 p. m. | S No. 30........7:10 a. m. |
| S No. 41......11:10 a. m. | S No. 40........5:10 p. m. |
| Depart for Peoria | Depart for Evansville |
| A No. 2......3:47 p. m. | A No. 1......10:50 a. m. |
| A No. 4......8:25 a. m. | D No. 3......10:30 p. m. |
| S No. 30......7:30 a. m. | A No 11......3:15 p. m. |
| S No. 40......5:20 p. m. | S No. 41......11:30 a. m. |
| A No. 10......10:42 a. m. | "D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only. |
| "A"—Daily Except Sunday. |  |

### Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

| ARRIVE. | LEAVE. |
|---|---|
| No. 1 Pass.... 2:35 p m | No. 4 Pass....[illegible] p m |
| No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m | No. 2 Pass....†[illegible] a m |
| " 7 .......10:00 a m | " 8 .......[illegible] p m |
| " [illegible] .......‡ 6:00 p m | " 10 .......6:00 p m |

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only

### WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Homer, Ill., account Modern Woodmen's picnic. One and one-third fare for the round trip. Sell June 17, good to return till June 18.

San Francisco and return, account National Convention Y. P. S. C. E. Tickets will be sold one way at the rate of the from Chicago, $[illegible] from Decatur. Stop over permitted in Colorado and west thereof. Returning tickets same price via direct lines; $6.00 extra via Portland and steamer, or $7.50 via Portland and rail. Dates of sale west bound June 29th and 30th, July 1st, 2d and 3d, good to reach San Francisco by July 9th. East bound July 12th to 17th inclusive, July 19th, 22d, 26th, 29th, August 2d, 5th, 9th, final limit returning August 15th.

Celeron, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua,) account meeting of Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 16th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account Young People's Christian Union Universalist church. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to July 14th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 12th and 13th, good returning till July 16th.

National Educational Association, Milwaukee. One fare plus $2.00 round trip. Tickets sold July 3d, 4th and 5th; good to return leaving Milwaukee July 10th, 11th and 12th, or by paying 50 cents and depositing ticket with joint agent an extension till August 31st may be obtained.

Erie, Pa., account meeting Knights of St. John. Tickets sold June 23d and 24th. One fare round trip, good returning to June 28th.

The Wabash has arranged to run tourist cars, St. Louis to San Francisco, account Christian Endeavor meeting, leaving St. Louis at 9 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, June 29th, and Thursday, July 1st. Rate per double berth, $[illegible]. Parties wishing to take these sleepers will have to leave Decatur on No. 15 at [illegible] p. m. Berths can be reserved by applying at city office.

Summer tickets now on sale to the mountains and sea shore.

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21st to 24th.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

B. P. O. Elks, Minneapolis, July 4 and 5.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st.

Detroit, Mich., account Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 7 to 10.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of [illegible] on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Harvest Excursion tickets will be sold to all points in the west, south, and southwest on June 15th, at one fare plus $2 for round trip, limited to 21 days.

Reduced rates will prevail to intermediate points during period of Christian Endeavor Convention at San Francisco. On June 29th and 30th, July 1st, 2d and 3d, the Wabash will sell to the following points at the following rates: Kansas City $7.50; Leavenworth $7.50; Atchison $7.50; St. Joseph $7.50; Pacific Junction $7.50; Council Bluffs $7.50; Omaha $7.50; Sioux City $8.75; Colorado common points, (Denver [illegible]) [illegible]. The rates returning will be very near the same.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, trains, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

## Executor's Notice for Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY. }

Estate of Paul Smith, Deceased.

To Sarah E. Smith, Levi Smith and his heirs at law, Mary Davis, Alice Davis, Ida Smith, Laura Mohr, Minnie Neff, Eva Smith, Samuel C. Smith, Frank W. Smith, Loyd Smith, Israel Smith, Samuel B. Smith, Katharine Bates, Moses Smith, William A. Smith, Joseph C. Smith, John Smith, Edward E. Smith, Harry McKinnies, Anna Wallace, Legatees of said estate:

You are hereby notified that on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897, the executor of the last Will and Testament of said deceased, will present to the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings as such executor, and ask the court to be discharged from any and all further duties and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and resist such application, if you choose so to do.

June 4-d3w D. L. BUNN, Executor.

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**All the New Spring Novelties,**

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**LORGNETTE CHAINS,**
In Silver and Gold.

***Silver and Gold Chain Pocketbooks.***

**SHIRT WAIST SETS,**
In Endless Varieties, in Silver and Gold, From 25 Cents to $2.50 a Set.

THE FINEST LINE OF BELTS
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To give good shoe value, but we have never given so much for the customer's money as now. We are especially proud of our shoes at $2.00, Button or Lace; with the style and fit of shoes at much higher prices. We bought them right and we are satisfied with small margins.

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B. F. BOBO, Manager.
148 EAST MAIN STREET. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks in Sidewalk

***Rainbow Stripes Shirt Waists.***

New line just received, the finest fitting WAIST in the city.....

ONE LOT SHIRT WAISTS, in Imported Madras and Percale, with collars and cuffs attached and detached, value up to $2.00, $1.75, $1.50, choice of lot....50c

H. C. Anthony
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makes a most delicious and refreshing drink, when served as a Phosphate or as an Ice Cream Soda. Come in and try one. Have you seen our new Fountain? It is the largest and finest in the city.

**KING'S DRUG STORE,**
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

## LOCAL NEWS.

**Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.**

German household dyes at Irwin's.

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

The arrow which has been cast does not come back.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Don't think of missing the Wabash cheap excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The Wabash will run a $2 Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The long-looked-for has come. Chicago and return via Wabash June 19 and 20, only $2.—8-td

Irwin's Cascara tablets will cure habitual constipation; 90 doses, 25c.

The first of the season, Wabash, Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago, June 19 and 20.—8-td

To Loan—$200, $300, $500, $600, $1000, $1200, $1500, $4000. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, 124 N. Water st. 10-d6

To Chicago for $2 for Wabash trains of Saturday, June 19, at 8:45 and 11:45 a. m. and 1:05 Sunday morning, 20th.—8-td

Kola-Vena is the most invigorating drink, sold only at Irwin's.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 146 North Main street.

You can get magic toothache drops at Irwin's drug store.

Be sure and attend the grand gold medal contest at the First Methodist church Friday evening, June 18th. Admission 15 cents; reserved seats, 25 cents; children 10 cents. 15-d3

Excursion to Mackinaw Thursday, June 17. Tickets may be secured at the transfer station. Fare for the round trip 50 cents, children under 15 years, 25 cents. —15-d3t

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Durfee & Culp. May 25-dtf

Everything is wide open in the circuit court room to afford all ventilation possible. The double doors off the corridor, usually closed, are thrown back and all the windows are up and still some of the jurymen want electric fans rigged up to add to their comfort while performing the duties of citizenship in hearing and passing on the troubles of other people.

### Oreana.

George Marvel and wife of Tabor are visiting Mrs. Marvel's parents, A. Karrauff and wife.

Mrs. Rambo, of Decatur, is visiting her son, M. Rambo and family.

O. B. Karrauff of Monticello visited home folks over Sunday.

J. Strope and wife visited Lloyd Bennett and wife near Argenta Sunday.

Miss Harma Muller of Warrensburg visited here Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Morrison and daughter, Dean, visited in Decatur Monday.

Mrs. C. F. James and children visited relatives near Argenta Saturday.

L. Bennett and wife of near Argenta visited A. W. Bennett and family Sunday.

J. Bennett and family of near Maroa visited J. Burgess Sunday.

Mrs. Coal and Mrs. Sarah Burgess visited in Decatur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bone of near Cerro Gordo, visited H. C. Bower and family Thursday.

Miss Laura Zinn of near Cerro Gordo, returned home Monday after a week's visit with relatives here.

Miss Anna Strope spent Monday in Decatur.

Mrs. K. Maxwell visited in Decatur last Thursday and Friday.

A number from here attended Children's Day services at the Brick church Sunday afternoon.

John Pensinger and family visited Thomas Pensinger and wife over Sunday.

Dr. Malloy was in Decatur Monday night

Mrs. S. Spence of McPherson, Kansas, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Miss Bertha Caruthers of near Argenta, visited here over Sunday.

Among Decatur visitors from here Monday were J. Strope, Mr. and Mrs. Ayres, Mr. and Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kuhns, Misses Etta Strope and Mable Froman and Charles Melencamp, John Oldwiler and Ed McKinley.

**HAMMOCKS**
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION
49c to $5.00.

**LINN AND SCRUGGS**
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

## THE NEW ASSESSMENT LAW.

### Important Provisions of the Bill—Takes Effect on July 1st.

The Republican has made several references to the new assessment law, affecting public improvements which takes effect July 1. It is one of special importance to the people throughout the state. As already stated this new law provides that in towns of less than 25,000 there shall be a board of local improvements composed of the city engineer, the superintendent of streets and the mayor and two aldermen. No public improvement is to be paid for by special assessment or special taxation unless passed upon and recommended by this board. Property owners may petition this board for such improvements or the board may originate them. The law says:

"Whenever the proposed improvement will require that private property be taken or damaged, such resolution shall describe the property proposed to be taken for that purpose. Said board shall, by the same resolution, fix a day and hour for the public consideraton thereof, which shall not be less than ten days after the adoption of such resolution. Said board shall also cause an estimate of the cost of such improvement (omitting land to be acquired) to be made in writing by the public engineer, (if there be one, if not, then by the president), over his signature, which shall be itemized to the satisfaction of said board, and which shall be made a part of the record of such resolution. Notice of the same time and place shall be published by posting in at least four conspicuous places in the vicinity of the proposed improvement, shall contain the substance of the resolution adopted by the board and the estimate of the cost of the proposed improvement. In case the said resolution shall be adopted, in pursuance of a petition of the owners of at least one-half of the private property to front upon said improvement, the said posting shall be sufficient. If the same originates with the board without petition a like notice shall be sent by mail, directed to the person who paid the general taxes for the last preceding year on each parcel fronting on the improvement proposed, and also in either case posted as aforesaid. In case any petition is presented for a local improvement a hearing shall be had in the same manner as above, whether a preliminary resolution be adopted by the board or not; and if upon such hearing the board shall deem such improvement desirable they shall adopt a resolution therefor, and prepare and submit an ordinance therefor as hereinafter provided."

Other important provisions of the bill follow:

8.—Public hearing. At the time and place fixed in said notice for public hearing, the said board shall meet and hear the representations of any person desiring to be heard on the subject of the necessity for the proposed improvements, the nature thereof, or the cost as estimated. After such hearing, in case any person shall appear to object to the proposed improvement, or any elements thereof, said board shall adopt a new resolution, abandoning the said proposed scheme, or modifying the same, or adhering thereto, as they shall consider most desirable; and thereupon, if the said proposed improvement be not abandoned, the said board shall cause an ordinance to be prepared therefor, to be submitted to the council or board of trustees (as the case may be). Such ordinance shall prescribe the nature, character, locality and description of such improvement, and shall provide whether the same shall be made wholly or in part by special assessment or taxation of contiguous property; and if in part only, shall so state. If property is to be taken or damaged for said improvement, such ordinance shall describe the same with reasonable certainty.

9—Recommendation by board. With any such ordinance, presented by such board to the city council or board of trustees, shall be presented also a recommendation of such improvement by the said board signed by at least a majority of the members thereof. The recommendation by said board shall be prima facie evidence that all the preliminary requirements of the law have been complied with; and if a variance be shown on the proceedings in court, it shall not affect the validity of the proceedings, unless the court shall deem the same wilful or substantial.

10—Estimate of cost. Together with the said ordinance and recommendation shall be presented to the city council or board of trustees an estimate of the cost of such improvement itemized so far as the board of local improvements shall think necessary, over the signature of the engineer of the board, if there be one; if not, then he president of said board, who shall certify that, in his opinion, the said estimate does not exceed the probable cost of the improvement proposed and the lawful expenses attending the same. The recommendation by such board shall be prima facie presumed to be based upon a full compliance with the requirements of the act.

The law also requires the publication of the ordinance together with the estimates.

### Summer School.

At the Decatur High school, commencing Monday, July 19. Common science and advance courses. For further information or circulars address J. J. Sheppard, Decatur, Ill. 16-d&w4w

**MONEY TO LOAN**—Any amount; reasonable terms. Apply to Geo. W. Ehrhart, 137 North Water street, up stairs. May 31-dim

## PERSONAL MENTION.

—W. H. Scruggs is recovering from an attack of illness.

—J. W. Race went to Chicago last night on business.

—Mrs. J. L. Corie left last night for Fitzgerald, Georgia.

—T. T. Roberts went to Detroit lastt night on business.

—Miss Grace Marquis, of Monticello, is visiting in the city with Miss Pearl Scott.

—Frank S. Dickson, who has been visiting in the city, has returned to Vandalia.

—Misses Susie and Florence Tucker went to Springfield today to visit with relatives.

—Dr. J. B. Spalding is in Chicago taking a post-graduate course in surgery at several colleges.

—Dr. C. P. Kennedy returned home last night from a visit of two weeks with friends in Ohio.

—Hal Hammer, Roy Walters and Ed Hampton, who have been camping near Niantic, arrived home today.

—Mrs. S. L. Payne was called to Evansville last night on account of her cousin, Ole Olson, who was accidentally drowned.

—Peter Laux left last night for Guthrie, Oklahoma. He will visit friends at that place and will take a trip through the west.

—Mrs. H. T. Bailey, of Columbus, Ohio, is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dawson, and other relatives.

—Miss Minnie Elsum, of Moweaqua, who was a delegate to the Epworth League convention returned home this morning.

—Mrs Caroline Powers has gone to Pennroyal sanitarium at Kenosha, Wis., to spend the summer. She was accompanied by Edward Powers, who will return in a few days.

—Miss Bonnie Bartholomew, who has been attending the Monticello seminary at Godfrey, Ill., is home to spend the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bartholomew.

—J. W. Weigand, who has been confined to his home by illness for nearly two months, was able to come down town today. He is slowly gaining his former strength and vigor, and will resume work on Monday next for G. R. Bacon & Co.

—Champaign Gazette. W. C. Beckwith, of Decatur, is in the Twin Cities. He reports that his father has disposed of his stock of groceries there and will remove to this city. Mr. Beckwith's wife and son are in St. Louis visiting, and will come from there here where they will make their home. He says Decatur is greatly overdone in nearly all lines of business, and that he can find no place that will equal the Twin Cities.

### City Clerk Reeve on Duty.

John A. Reeve, who was elected city clerk in April, entered upon his duties at the city hall this morning at $1200 a year. He has no assistant at present. He says he does not see how he can remain in the office continually as his wife and mother are ill, but he will do the best he can under the circumstances. If he finds he must have help he well knows that he will have to pay for the services out of his own pocket. He regrets that in the shake-up the salary of the clerk was cut $400 for he had looked lovingly on the former salary which was $1600, with $1200 for an assistant. He is not particularly pleased with the office assigned to him, room in the remote part of the court house annex, a location farthest removed from the business part of the city.

Comptroller Robbins has the old office. In a few days the counter will be fixed up in bank style.

The first duty of City Clerk Reeve this morning was the signing of his name to a lot of dog tax receipts.

### Notice.

Office of the board of health. Notice is hereby given to all slop haulers that they must not haul slop between the hours of 6 o'clock a. m. and 9 o'clock p. m., and all slop wagons, carts and barrels must be covered so as to prevent slop from slopping out, etc. This order will be enforced until the 1st of November of each year. Any person violating this order will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. By order of board of health. Dr. C. M. Wood, President of Board of Health. W. W. Mason, City Marshal.—16-d6t

### Picnic at Fairlawn.

The Sunday school of the Union mission held a picnic today at Fairlawn park. There were about 100 children in attendance. The young people drove out to the park this morning and took their dinner and will return home this evening.

### Births.

Born. To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Imboden, of No. 654 West William street, on June 15, a daughter.

This evening Miss Hattie Green will give a picnic in honor of her sister of Chicago who is visiting in the city. A party of young people will drive to Boiling Springs and take supper.

O. D. Hill has been clothed with the authority of a deputy sheriff and will go on duty at Riverside park this evening to preserve order at the park during the theatrical engagement.

The Decatur races will begin on Tuesday, August 24.

## PAT HUNT ON STREET PAVING.

### The Well-Known Contractor Speaks Out on What Should be Done in Decatur.

P. H. Hunt called at the Republican office today and in the course of his remarks as to street paving questions said: "I trust that our Honorable mayor will not sign the ordinance to carry out the nefarious practice of putting down a pavement that has proved itself to be a fraud on the people that have to pay for it. Experience has proved to men in our line of business long ago that the bottom brick and gravel have been a failure for a foundation wherever it has been tried. Consequently men of practice and experience have condemned it and we have recommended a substitute in its place in the shape of a concrete foundation which is made of crushed rock and cement and it ought to be eight inches thick but six inches would probably do. It would be better to have it eight inches. I have made public works a study for 40 years. Thirty-five years ago I saw the contractors in Louisville, Ky., making concrete foundations under the pavements. At that time Louisville was a larger city than Chicago and one of the most advanced cities in the country in both arts and culture. The concrete foundation is used in every city of the United States of any size or note. It is used exclusively in Europe in every city that I was in. Dublin is a beautifully clean and well paved city. They use granite blocks, Norway pine and asphalt for paving. Paris uses the same and London uses more Norway pine in the center of the city because granite makes too much noise and it is too rough to travel over. Asphalt is not used in the center much either because it won't wear half as well as the pine under the constant travel over it. Those of you that have been there know that the travel is tremendous. Glasgow uses granite blocks nearly altogether. I see, however, in the papers recently that they are using brick now. I told some of the city officials that they had a clay that would make a paving brick. They said they would give the matter some consideration. So paving with brick has been the result. I have always advocated brick for a pavement but the brick must be of the right quality with a concrete foundation. The people on North Main street will surely make a great mistake if they adopt asphalt. They will find out when it is too late that it is a very expensive luxury. It is very nice to behold but very costly to hold. Take the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis that use it altogether for paving and both cities are about bankrupt by it. St. Paul owes over $8,000,000 with one half of the houses for rent. A landlord told me when his houses were rented that the rent would not pay the tax on them. Indianapolis is not much better where they use so much asphalt pavement. All these things must be taken into consideration by our honorable legislators as they are junketing around and inspecting pavements. The question of paving is one that the people should thoroughly understand. They should find out which is the best and the most suitable for the least money and not allow any class of men to set up jobs on them by introducing this or that kind of material. This city started out right with the kind of pavement they ought to have but they did not keep up with the progress that has been made in that line and I want to say right here now while I think of it, that to Captain Kanan is more credit due by the people of this city than to any other one man in it for the good judgment he used in starting the improvement. I will say this much for him, although he and I had many a hard fought battle on the work, but we were good friends when it was over.

"The mayor of this city can prevent the putting down of any kind of a pavement unless there is a concrete foundation under it and he should do it to protect the people no matter what the council does. If he refuses to sign the contract the work cannot be done. The supreme court has decided that where a city council put down an improvement and they should order the same kind again that the property holders could not be made to pay for it. So, the councilmen, they had better look out what they are about. You had better have their city attorney to look this matter up for them."

Next Monday evening a stereopticon entertainment will be given at the First Presbyterian church. Pictures of the places which will be on the Endeavor excursion to California will be given. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the Sunday school.

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